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TURKEY REMAINS LOYAL TO AGREEMENTS WITH ALLIES: MOSCOW NEGOTIATIONS FAIL

Ankara, To-day.

ANKARA RADIO STATES that the Turkish Premier yesterday gave an account of the Moscow talks to the Government Party.

He said that when the Turkish Foreign Minister left for Moscow both countries had already exchanged views on the treaty which was to be negotiated.

The negotiations have not so far been successful.

ESTHONIA SHUTS ITSELF OFF

Tallinn, To-day.

The Esthonian Government have announced that all telephone and telegraph communications with foreign countries will be interrupted from to-day.

It also announces that the sale of liquor is prohibited and ordinary traffic interrupted.

It is presumed these are precautions taken while the Soviet troops march to the bases they will occupy under the recent agreement. How long the restrictions will continue is not known. —Reuter.

VON PAPEN LEAVES FOR BERLIN

Ankara, To-day.

Herr von Papen, the German Ambassador in Turkey, who is supposed to have been responsible for the initial negotiations leading to the Soviet-German understanding, left suddenly last night for Berlin.

The suddenness of his departure astonished well-informed quarters. —Reuter.

WEATHER FORECAST: —North-East and East winds, light to moderate, cloudy.

The Soviet had presented completely new proposals which could not be reconciled with Turkey's obligations towards Britain and France.

It was impossible to bring the talks to a successful conclusion. Nevertheless relations with Russia continued to be founded on a friendly basis. —Reuter.

DARDANELLES DECISION

Speaking to the Parliamentary group of the Peoples' Republican Party, the Prime Minister yesterday said that the reason an agreement was not reached in Moscow was that the Soviet presented M. Sarajolu with completely new proposals, which were irreconcilable with Turkey's obligations to England and France.

The guarantees offered to Turkey did not compensate for the obligations they were asked to incur.

Regarding the Dardanelles, Turkey considered it essential not to bind herself to stipulations other than those provided under her international engagements of a general order. —Reuter.

PACTS WITH ALLIES TO BE SIGNED

Istanbul, To-day.

According to a telegram received from Ankara, it is understood in well-informed circles that Turkey is signing Mutual Assistance Pacts with Britain and France before the week-end. —Reuter.

SHARP CLASHES ON WESTERN FRONT

Paris, To-day.

The position on the Western Front showed no change all during yesterday, though there were sharp infantry clashes at several points. —Reuter.

STOCKHOLM MAY MAKE PEACE BID

London, To-day.

It is learned that although no agenda has been published for the conference to be held to-day at Stockholm between the Kings of Norway, Sweden and Denmark and the President of Finland, and their Foreign Ministers, it is reported that the possibility of peace moves and the Soviet-Finnish negotiations will be discussed.

According to a report from Helsinki, the conference will consider asking President Roosevelt and Signor Mussolini to assume the role of peace mediators. —Reuter.

FINNISH DISCUSSION

Helsinki, To-day.

The leader of the Finnish delegation

NORWEGIAN STEAMER SUNK

Oslo, To-day.

The Norwegian steamer, Lorentz W. Hansen, is reported to have foundered on her way from Canada to England.

No details of the circumstances of the sinking are yet known.

The owners of the ship are not certain whether she was mined or torpedoed.

The crew of 21 has been taken on board the Oslo steamer, Kongsdal. —Reuter.

AIR DEFENCES IN FIRTH OF FORTH

London, To-day.

Asked in the House of Commons if the anti-aircraft defences in the Firth of Forth were sufficient to protect Edinburgh, the Prime Minister replied that the defences were in the highest degree effective. —Reuter.

to Moscow yesterday started to discuss the talks with the Finnish Government after his return from the Soviet capital.

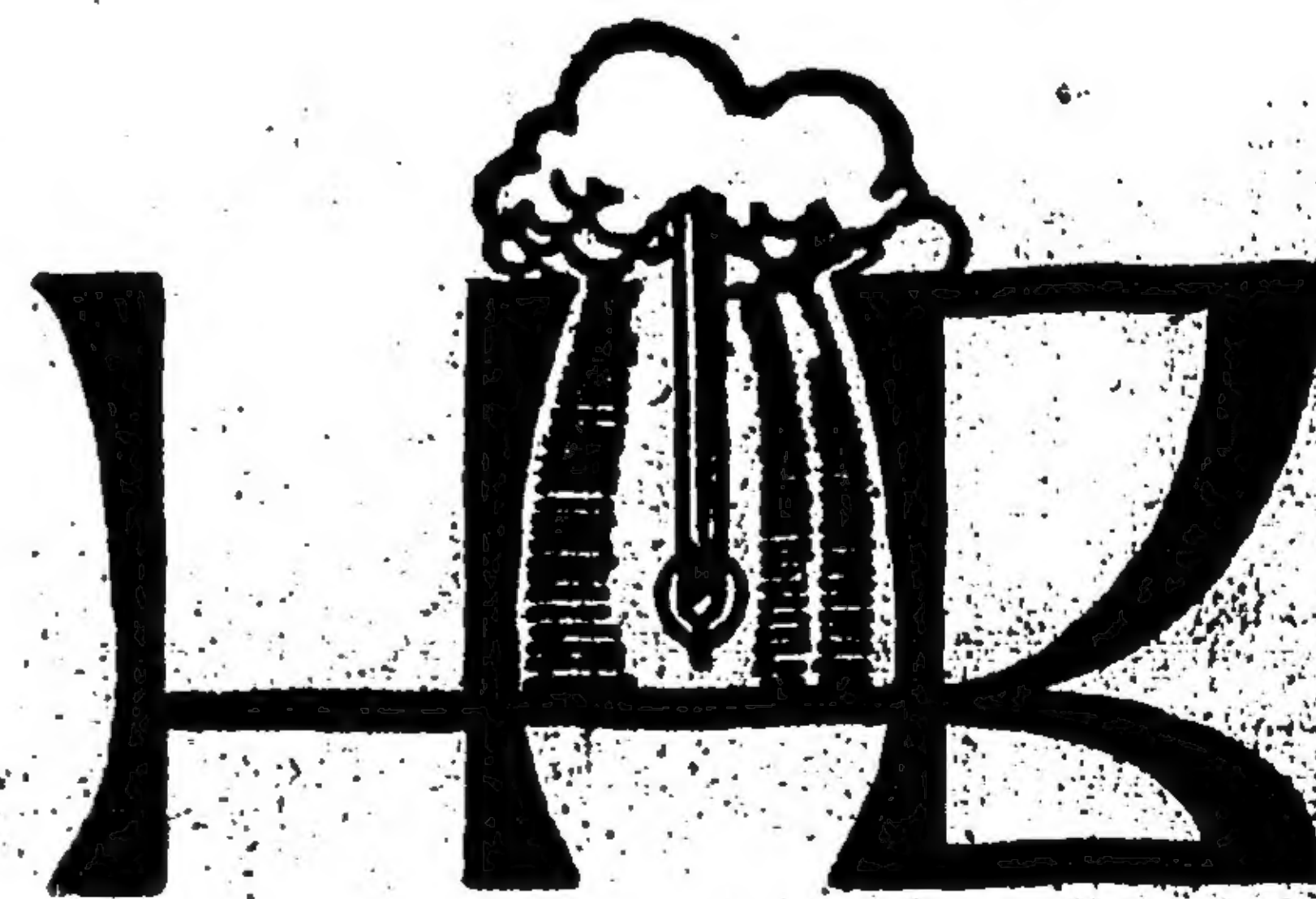
No official communique has been issued but the Finnish envoy will return to Moscow as early as possible. —Reuter.

TO MAINTAIN NEUTRALITY

Stockholm, To-day.

The Swedish Premier declared yesterday: "Denmark, Norway, Sweden and Finland are determined to maintain their neutrality and political independence." —Reuter.

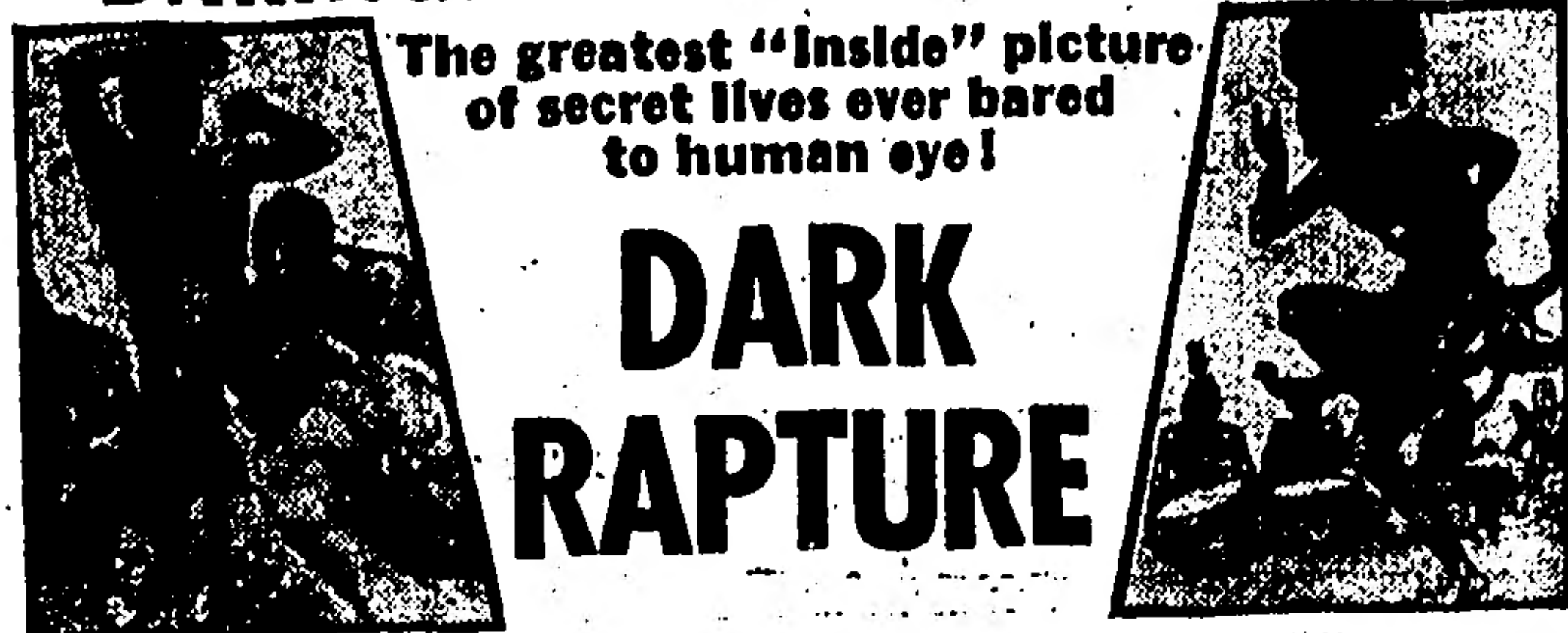
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New York, To-day.

THE SOVIET HAS EXTENDED her designs to the Near East, according to diplomatic circles in Washington quoted by the "New York Times." The correspondent states that, through the medium of trade negotiations, Russia is said to be seeking to reassert her lost sway over North Iran by obtaining control of the rice output and concessions for oilfields which are believed to exist there.

The "New York Times" Washington correspondent says that this is regarded as vitally important here because of Iran's strategic position in the Near East.

How strongly the Soviet pretension is being pushed is a matter for conjecture in Washington. STATE DEPARTMENT WATCHING. Meanwhile, there is private comment in United States Government circles on the fact that the Soviet has not yet acknowledged, let alone answered, President Roosevelt's note with regard to Finland to M. Kalinin, President of the Soviet Union.

The State Department is paying particular attention to Russia's position and moves.—Reuter.

OVER 9,000,000 RADIO LISTENERS

London, To-day.

More people are listening to the radio in this country than ever before. In the first month of the war, licenses increased by more than 41,000, and by the end of the month the approximate total was 8,085,050.—Reuter.

THE MUFTI NOW IN BAGDAD

Baghdad, To-day.

The Mufti of Jerusalem has arrived in Baghdad from Lebanon.—Reuter.

BRITAIN AND TRADE OF NEUTRALS

PARIS, TO-DAY.

THE BRITISH GOVERNMENT'S DETERMINATION TO INTERFERE WITH BONA FIDE NEUTRAL TRADE AS LITTLE AS POSSIBLE, WAS EXPRESSED BY SIR FREDERICK LEITH-ROSS, CHIEF ECONOMIC ADVISER TO THE BRITISH GOVERNMENT, IN AN INTERVIEW PUBLISHED IN "LE PETIT PARISIEN."

With the object of reducing the delays caused to neutral ships by the examination for contraband, the British Government had opened negotiations with the countries concerned.

The best way of permitting continued normal imports by neutral countries, Sir Frederick is quoted as saying, would be by the governments concerned to give a guarantee that none of the goods imported would be re-exported to Germany.

Referring to German efforts to obtain neutral co-operation in the German counter-blockade, Sir Frederick declared: "I think the neutrals themselves ought to answer that. They know that we sink no neutral ships and endanger no lives."—Reuter.

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London, To-day.
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The German announcer said the ban was not from fear that foreign broadcasts would destroy German morale.

The reason, he said, was one of "social propriety!"

He went on to explain that Germans might be in danger of hearing "violent language!"—Reuter.

FAKE LETTER TRICK

Accused of having attempted to obtain \$50 by forged documents Chan Wong-chung, 28, and Yan Fuk, 42, tailor, were sentenced to three months' hard labour by Mr. E. Himsforth.

Det.-Sgt. W. G. Morrison, said complainant, on October 9, received a letter ostensibly from his brother in Shanghai, asking that \$50 be given to a man whose photo was enclosed. The same day, second accused presented himself.

As complainant had never before been asked for help by his brother, he suspected the letter, and asked accused to collect the money some other day.

On Monday, he received another similar letter, and second accused visited him again and was arrested. First accused was then caught on the staircase.

Mrs. E. P. Melnik, residing at Knutsford Hotel, has reported that whilst in the Canadian Pacific Railway office yesterday her handbag, containing \$160, was stolen.

GERMANS PUT HITLER FACE TO THE WALL

The fact that Germans in South-West Africa, the former German possession, are not supporters of Hitler was shown when the United Party Congress met at Windhoek, the former capital.

A photograph of Hitler in the hall, which belongs to Germans, had been turned with its face to the wall. A photograph of Field-Marshal von Hindenburg had not been touched.

The Congress passed a resolution of loyalty and devotion to South Africa.

FORMER FRENCH AIR MINISTER ARRESTED

Paris, Oct. 10.
M. Marcel Deat, former Air Minister and one-time Deputy of the Independent-Socialist Party, was arrested here to-day on a warrant issued by a military court for having been one of the signatories of the much-commented "immediate peace tract."

The arrested man has protested his innocence, stating that his signature was illegally used. He is asking to be confronted with the other signatories of the leaflet.

He has chosen as his counsel M. Eugene Frot and M. Georges Hymans, both former Ministers.—Havas.

SERIOUS CHARGE

Victor Shamraeff, 24, a Russian, was this morning arraigned before the Chief Justice Sir Atholl Macgregor at Criminal Session charged with the manslaughter of a Chinese on September 9 near the Ling Ma-hang mines.

Mr. Leo d'Almada, who appeared for the accused pleaded not guilty and the hearing was adjourned till Wednesday.

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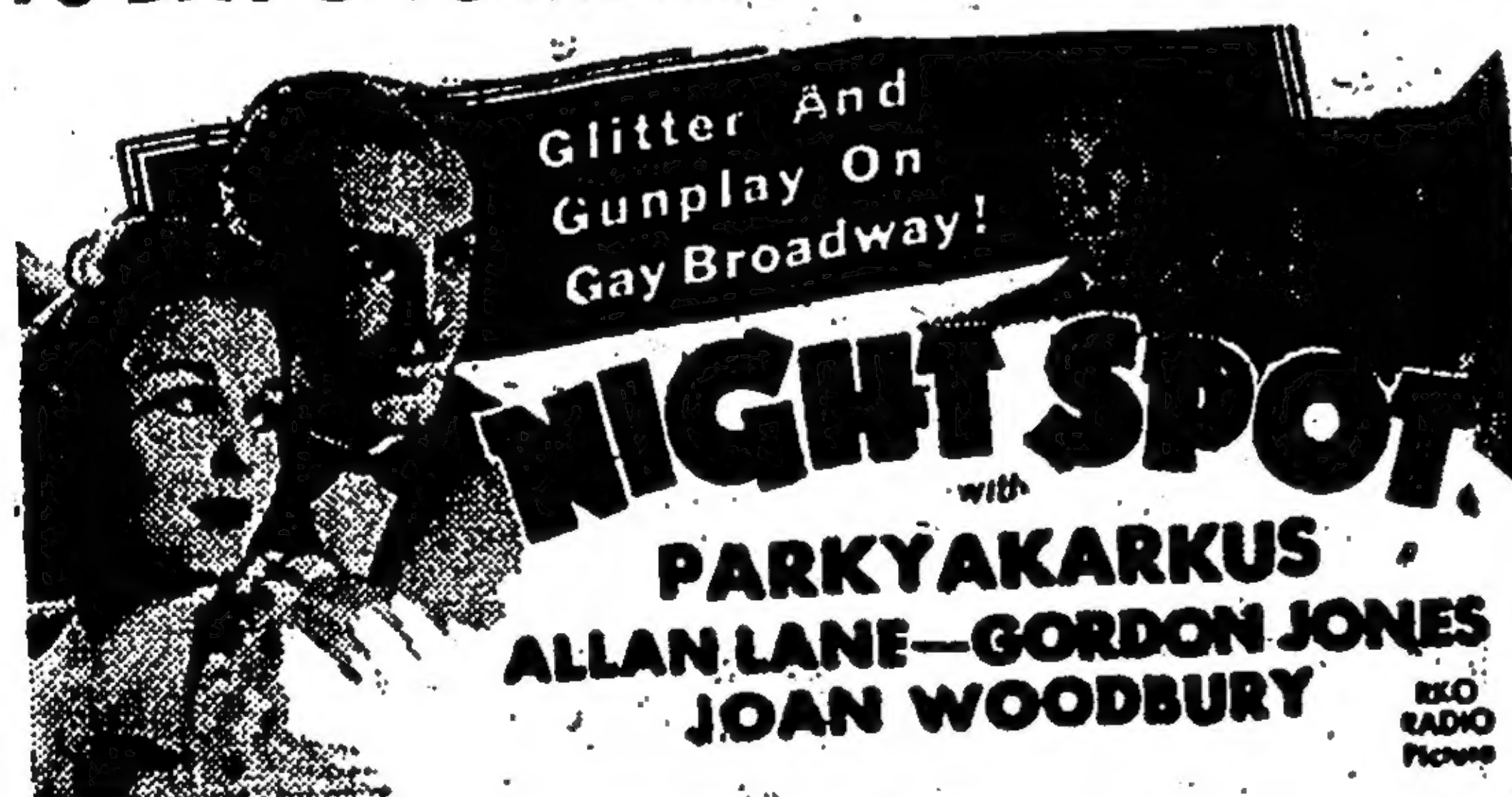
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TRAVELLERS ON TRAIN HAVE GRANDSTAND VIEW OF GERMAN RAID ON ROSYTH

London, To-day.
BEST VIEW OF THE German air raid on Scotland on Monday was obtained by the passengers of two trains which crossed the famous Firth of Forth Bridge during the raid.

A passenger on the 2.30 express from Edinburgh to Dunfermline said that at Dalmeny, the last station before the bridge, they were told by railway officials that a raid was in progress, and it was left to their discretion as to whether they wished to continue.

"Most of us decided to continue," he said.

As the train passed slowly over the bridge they watched the raid on the huge structure.

"Two planes attacked, one near the south shore and one to the north."

"They appeared to be diving over the bridge and dropped bombs a short way to our left. A huge column of water shot up."

Another passenger said: "The planes swooped low over the top span of the bridge, and from a distance of from 200 to 300 yards opened fire on two cruisers at a range of less than 300 feet."

PLANE DOWNED

Another eye-witness stated: "I saw a German plane brought down in the sea."

"I heard gunfire and looked up. There were three planes flying low and dodging about over the sea. One was a big black machine and was being pursued by two of our machines."

"The German plane was trying to shake off its pursuers."

"I saw spurts of flame and heard the noise of machine-gun. Suddenly the German plane swayed, there was a cloud of smoke and the machine plunged into the sea."

"In a minute or two it disappeared under the water." — Reuter.

MOHAWK READY FOR SEA

London, To-day.
H.M.S. Mohawk was only superficially damaged in Monday's raid on Rosyth, and is ready for sea. — Reuter.

SEARCH FOR NAZI PLANE

London, To-day.
Search parties were out yesterday looking for the German plane which was believed to have been brought down in the Pentland Hill. — Reuter.

SOVIET STATEMENT ON TALKS

Moscow, To-day.

M. Sarajoglu, the Turkish Foreign Minister, left for Turkey at midnight.

It is reported that no agreement has been signed so far.

Tass Agency has issued the following statement:—

M. Sarajoglu's visit provided the occasion for a comprehensive exchange of views between the Turkish and Soviet Governments regarding the relations of the U.S.S.R. and Turkey.

The exchange of views was conducted in a cordial atmosphere, confirming the friendly relations between the two countries and their common efforts to maintain peace.

The two governments reached the conclusion that it was desirable to maintain contact in future for a joint discussion of questions of interest between the U.S.S.R. and Turkey. — Reuter.

SETTLING EUROPE'S REFUGEES

Washington, To-day.

Addressing a luncheon given to the Inter-Governmental Committee on Political Refugees, President Roosevelt urged redoubled vigour in helping the 300,000 people rendered homeless before the war started, in order to cope with the possibility of an infinitely greater refugee problem afterwards.

There were many vacant spaces where European settlers could live permanently, such as many positions in the African, American, Australian and Asian sections of the globe. — Reuter.

DUTCH VOTE FOR DEFENCE

The Hague, To-day.

The Netherlands Government has asked for an extra defence credit of 100,000,000 florins. — Reuter.

FOUR CIVILIAN CASUALTIES

London, To-day.

There were only four civilian casualties in Monday's German air raid, two of them being women.

All suffered from bullet or shrapnel wounds.

One man was hit while working on a house in Edinburgh. — Reuter.

SOVIET PRESSURE ON FINLAND

Helsinki, To-day.

A more helpful statement on the Soviet-Finland situation has been made by the spokesman of the Finnish Foreign Ministry.

He said that while the question was serious, there was every hope of a practical solution.

Finland would go as far as possible to ensure a peaceful way out, and did not wish the talks to be prolonged more than was necessary. — Reuter.

MR. CHAMBERLAIN GIVES FACTS OF ROSYTH RAID

London, To-day.

FIRST INTIMATION of a German air raid on Scapa Flow yesterday morning was made by Mr. Chamberlain in the House of Commons after giving an account of the Firth of Forth raid.

The latter raid, said Mr. Chamberlain, was carried out by 12 or possibly more aircraft in waves of two or three at a time.

Two civilians were slightly injured by shell fragments but the damage to the civilian population was negligible.

The naval casualties occurred on H.M.S. Southampton, H.M.S. Edinburgh and H.M.S. Mohawk.

Altogether three officers and 13 ratings were killed or died from wounds, two officers slightly injured, 11 rating seriously injured, and 31 slightly injured.

The damage to H.M.S. Southampton and Edinburgh was slight and both vessels were ready for sea.

The damage to the Mohawk was superficial.

The enemy were at once engaged by fighter squadrons and anti-aircraft fire.

"Four enemy bombers were brought down of which one was shot down by gun fire. In addition a number of other enemy aircraft were heavily engaged and some of these may not have been able to reach home."

LOCAL ATTACK

As the attack was local and appeared to be developing on only a small scale and as our defences were fully ready it was not considered appropriate in this particular instance to issue the air raid warning which would have caused dislocation and inconvenience over a wide area.

At 10.30 yesterday morning an air raid took place on Scapa Flow. The attack was made by about four machines. — Reuter.

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HITLER'S PERSONAL VANITY HELD RESPONSIBLE FOR WAR BY AMBASSADOR

London, To-day.

THE FINAL REPORT of the circumstances leading to the termination of Sir Neville Henderson's Embassy in Berlin has been issued as a White Paper and deals with the events of August 30 and 31. In his report, Sir Neville expresses the conviction that Goering would have preferred a peaceful solution but Hitler's decision alone counted.

Dealing with Hitler's policy, Sir Neville says that of two alternatives the most attractive from the point of view of his growing personal ambitions and of the clique nearest him, was war.

It is scarcely credible that he would have acted like he did if bloody war rather than bloodless victory had not seemed a fairer prospect for him.

One of Hitler's greatest drawbacks is that except for two visits to Italy, he has never travelled abroad.

Consequently, for his knowledge of British mentality, he relied upon von Ribbentrop, who is reported to have constantly given him false counsels while his successes in other spheres caused Hitler to regard him as a second Bismarck—a conviction which Ribbentrop probably fully shared!

OPPORTUNISM HIS OWN

Even the most absolute Dictator is susceptible to his surroundings but Hitler's decisions, calculations and opportunisms were his own, says Sir Neville who adds that Goering once told him: "It is the Fuehrer alone who decides. When a decision has to be taken none of us count more than the stones on which we are standing."

HITLER'S DELAY

Hitler's desire for British friendship is also apparent throughout in incidents recorded in the document which registers the opinion that Germany ordered the advance into Poland on August 25.

Subsequent delay was probably due to the desire to detach Britain from Poland.

Hitler had unlimited confidence in his Army and Air Force, however, and was certainly not averse to using them in Poland.

"In two months, he told me, the war in the East would be ended. He would then hurl 160 divisions against the West if England was so unwise as to oppose his plans."

PRESS REPORT

Sir Neville Henderson alludes to Hitler's friendly and reasonable demeanour during the negotiations in the last days of August until August 29, when the press published an allegation of the murder of six Germans in Poland.

This story was probably exaggerated by extremists in the fear that he might be weakening.

The interview that day, however, closed with an honest harangue about Hitler's constant endeavour to win British friendship, his respect for the British Empire and his liking for Englishmen generally.

BUYING BRITAIN!

Sir Neville Henderson then turns aside to assess Hitler's character and mentality and remarks that like many Germans he combines admiration for the British race with envy at their achievements and hatred of their opposition to Germany's excessive aspirations.

He courted Britain as representing the aristocracy and the most successful of the "Nordic races."

He believed he could buy British acquiescence in his own far-reaching schemes by offers of alliance and guarantees for the British Empire.

His great mistake was his complete failure to understand the British sense of morality, humanity and freedom. — Reuter.

UNFREEZING FISH SUPPLY

London, To-day.

In order to meet a probable reduction in supplies of British-caught fish caused by the Admiralty demands on fishing vessels, numbers of which are being armed and used to counter German attacks on merchant shipping, a comprehensive plan has been devised for augmenting supplies of frozen fish from Iceland.

Fish are caught in northern waters, filleted, graded and frozen on the Iceland coast.

The plan envisages a great expansion of supplies of frozen fish from Norway, Canada and Newfoundland.

It is claimed that the sponsors claim to have sufficient fish for the whole British demand has been submitted to the Government Food Department. — British Wireless.

GRAPHIC SCOTTISH AIR RAID STORY

London, To-day.

At least two of four enemy planes accounted for during yesterday's raid on the Firth of Forth were shot down by British fighters, which beat off the raiders in such a way that not more than half are believed to have returned to Germany, according to the Ministry of Information.

Apart from the four brought down by our fighters and anti-aircraft fire, several are thought to have been too crippled to complete the passage over the North Sea.

The defeat of the raiders was a team job in which a large share of the work was taken by men who, a few weeks ago, were Scottish stock-brokers, lawyers and sheep-farmers.

No pilot claims to have brought down a raider single-handed.

WINS A BET

One running fight began over the Pentland Hills, shots from several aircraft helping to cripple the German machine, which finally received a knock-out from an Auxiliary Air Force pilot who had taken a bet that he would be the first member of the squadron to bring down a German.

One German machine, with one engine out of action, flew for several miles at a height of 50 feet, banking round church spires and chimney tops.

The plane probably crashed before reaching home. — Reuter.

NO PACT SIGNED BY TURKEY

Moscow, To-day.
An air of mystery still surrounds the Turco-Soviet negotiations in Moscow.

Soviet circles state that although no pact has been signed, M. Sarajolu's departure does not mean that negotiations have broken down. It merely means that the end of the first stage in the negotiations has been reached.

The negotiations are expected to continue to-day when the Turkish Minister of Agriculture arrives here for the Russian Agricultural Exhibition. — Reuter.

FANTASTIC NAZI RADIO STORY

London, To-day.

The commander of the U-boat which sank the Royal Oak has gone by air to see Hitler, who is conferring a special honour, according to the German Radio.

The U-boat reached its base at 9 a.m. and met Admiral Raeder.

The commander, describing his exploit said: "It was quite a job to smuggle ourselves into Scapa Flow through the British defences."

"I saw two warships and discharged two torpedoes, at once turning my boat and leaving harbour."

The commander alleged that as he left port he heard explosions and saw a column of water rising from a British ship lying farthest to the north and a moment later another ship exploded and disappeared.

As the U-boat left harbour the sea was lit by British searchlights and a number of depth charges exploded. — Reuter.

***The only thing the German radio announcer omitted to mention was that the commander gave the Hitler salute as the ship went down. The fantasy of the story is the suggestion that the U-boat cruised smoothly out of harbour on the surface.

MURDER MAKES HEADLINES AGAIN!

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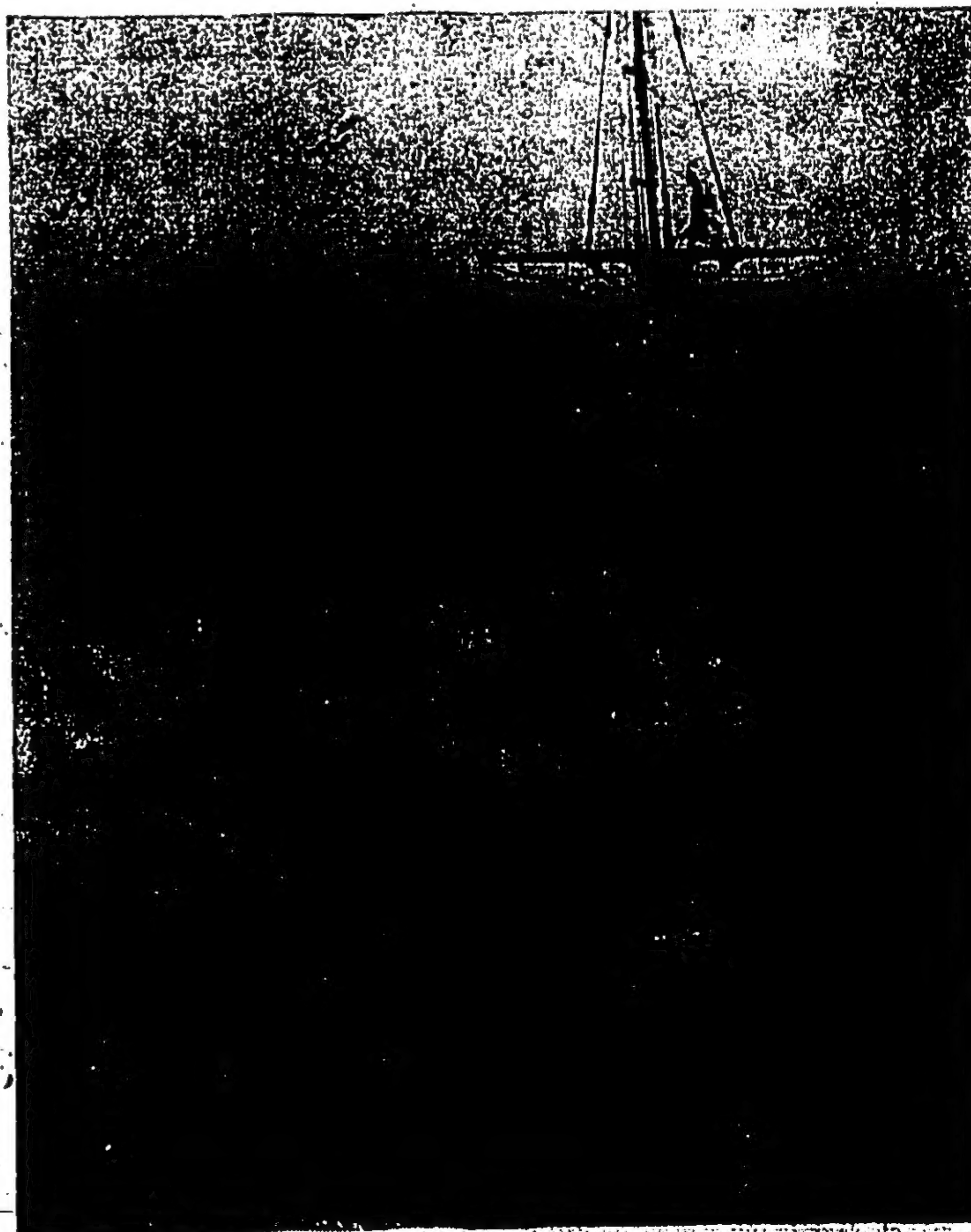
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INITIAL GERMAN MOVES IN BIG PUSH; FRENCH EXPLAIN SUCCESS CLAIMS

Paris, To-day.

THE LAST TWO FRENCH communiques reporting successive German attacks east of Saar, reveal a significant change in operations on the Western Front.

After the defeat of the Polish armies, the French Command decided to reconstitute the furthest positions reached on German territory on defensive lines.

This involved the creation of lightly held observation posts with a wide dispersal of men.

When, as long foreseen, the Germans attacked after heavy artillery fire which fell mostly in empty spaces, the French outposts withdrew as pre-arranged while machine guns and artillery took heavy toll of German concentrations.

When the Germans reached the line of real resistance in the neighbourhood of Apach Village, two and a half miles beyond Sierck, they were everywhere checked.

The German losses are believed to have been considerable for the shallow gains and it is significant that they were checked wherever they met resistance.

No tanks or aeroplanes were used.

STILL ON GERMAN SOIL

The French are still fighting on German soil.

Before they reach the Maginot Line the Germans must take four to six lines each defended by a curtain of continuous fire.—Reuter.

GERMAN ATTACK

London, To-day.

The German attack of October 16 took place on a front of about seven kilometres after a preliminary bombardment against already evacuated positions.

The enemy nowhere succeeded in passing beyond the zone which had been occupied by the advanced French troops.—Reuter.

ON 30-KILOMETRE FRONT

London, To-day.

The French official communique states: "Towards the end of Monday afternoon, the Germans launched a second attack, supported by heavy artillery fire, in the region east of the Saar over a front of 30 kilometres.

Our light advance elements fell back fighting in accordance with their plan, but our fire held up the enemy on the pre-arranged line." — British Wireless.

FRANCE TO RELEASE OLDER MEN

Paris, To-day.

France is to demobilise N.C.O.'s and men of the 1909 class, that is, men over 50 years old.

When this demobilisation is completed men of the 1910 class (49 years old) will also be released.

An official communique explains the step as being taken to assist the economic life of the country by sending home men who are not indispensable.

A certain number of reserve officers are also to be demobilised.—Reuter.

Damage to the extent of over \$1,000 was suffered by the Chau Kwong Battery Manufactory, 23, Bedford Road, yesterday afternoon when a fire broke out in the factory.

ROOSEVELT GIVES GRIM WARNING

Washington, To-day.

President Roosevelt yesterday appealed to a conference of political refugees to help in the settlement of 300,000 refugees rendered homeless before the war.

He also asked them to consider helping the 10 or 20 million who might be homeless before war ends.—Reuter.

FRENCH WITHDRAW ON ONE SECTOR OF FRONT

Paris, To-day.

AN EXPLANATION of the meaning of the French withdrawal on one sector of the western front is given in official circles.

It is stated that the original French advance into German territory was made indirectly to relieve the Poles in the east.

A fortnight ago the French High Command foresaw the Germans might launch an offensive, and decided to bring French troops back on their positions.

FAMOUS WAR ORDER FOR MUSEUM

London, To-day.

By bequest of the late Sir Philip Sassoon, the British Museum which already possessed Lord Haig's map of the Western Front on September 25, 1918, has now acquired another striking memento of the Great War.

It is Haig's autograph draft of his famous "back to the wall" order of April 11, 1918.

This document, issued at a moment of extreme national danger from the enemy which Britain is again facing to-day is written in a firm hand in five paragraphs of exhortation to all ranks of the British Forces in France.

Its concluding passage is: "Every position must be held to the last man. There must be no retirement. With our backs to the wall and believing in the justice of our cause, each one of you must fight on to the end. The safety of our homes and the freedom of mankind alike depend upon the conduct of each one of you at this critical moment."—British Wireless.

U-BOAT VICTIMS

London, To-day.

Some 32 officers and men of the 5,500-ton Cardiff steamer Sneaton, which was sunk by a German submarine in the Atlantic, have been brought safely into port. One fireman was killed.—British Wireless.

Mr. R. Johnson, of No. 3, Cheung Chau Reservation, has reported the theft of money and a pair of binoculars, valued at \$139, from his residence.

DARING R.A.F. EXPLOIT

London, To-day.

R.A.F. planes have made a daring daylight reconnaissance raid over Germany.

One of our machines has not yet come back.

The flight followed by several hours the previous foray over Germany at night.—Reuter.

RESULT DEPENDS ON THE MAN

London, To-day.

"I am supremely confident that come what may, the British Army I have the honour to command will prove itself ever worthy of its history in the past," said General Viscount Gort at a luncheon "somewhere on the Western Front" at which he entertained 25 British, and nine American war correspondents.

General Gort described war as a long period of intense boredom intermingled with short periods of intense fear.

He emphasised that the final result, despite mechanisation, depended on the man.

He was sure that the British soldier to-day would stand square and fight for what was valued by all right-minded democratic people.

General Gort proposed the healths of the King, the President of the French Republic, and President Roosevelt.—Reuter.

KALLININ REPLIES TO ROOSEVELT

Washington, To-day.

It was announced in Washington yesterday that M. Kallinin, the Soviet Russian President, has assured President Roosevelt that Russia in negotiations with Finland will recognise the latter's independence.

M. Kallinin says that Russia's sole aim is the strengthening of friendly co-operation for the safety of both countries.—Reuter.



Nerve-tingling escape from flaming forests. One of the many breathless moments in 20th Century-Fox's "Dark Rapture," which comes to the King's Theatre to-day.

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COLONY'S ECONOMIC POTENTIAL

By The Editor

Mere vigour of expression in titled to consideration, but the controversy created over even on the level now Government's income tax suggested, the tax cannot be proposals must not be allow- regarded as onerous.

ed to obscure fundamentals As to the effect on the body or logical reasoning. No-one economic, the total of the can be dogmatic at this yield is well-nigh an irrele- stage. No satisfactory data vant consideration. Britain exists to justify the assump- takes a basic rate of 40 per tion that the income tax cent. with surtax of 14 per scale, as provisionally re- cent. on £3,000 and 36 per commended, will produce cent. on £11,000, without \$5,000,000 or \$10,000,000 or groaning, too much. And no- \$15,000,000. With the collect- one has yet suggested that

ing machin- the country is near econo- mical collapse. If, in fact, \$10,000,000 can be obtained in Hong Kong by a tax which asks no more than \$12.50 per month of a bachelor earning \$445 a month, of a married man earning \$570 a month and of a married man with two children earning \$720 a month, the Colony can well afford it.

In such result, what would happen to the arguments of opponent of the measure, that the Income Tax proposals are exorbitant, will destroy confidence, drive capital away and generally wreck an economic structure built up skillfully—for the favoured few — on the policy of laissez faire. The most interesting of the phenomena that presents itself is the way in which calm judgment on the merits of the basic rate of tax has been distorted by economic fright. Ten million dollars in one fell swoop of one direct tax! Colossal! Exorbitant! Expropriation of Wealth! Disastrous!

Superlatives must have been thoroughly exhausted had adequate data existed to enable the Financial Secretary to announce an expectation of yield of \$20,000,000. Yet, basically, whatever the yield the merits of the tax must remain precisely the same.

It is preposterous to call the Government's tax demands exorbitant. Some modification in favour of the lower incomes may be en-

THE FIGURES

To anticipate any possible challenge, the figures below show how the assessments quoted in this article are arrived at:

Bachelor, earning \$445 a month, or \$5,340 per annum.
 Personal allowance ... \$1,800
 Earned income, 10% ... 534

Five per cent. on balance of \$3,006, or \$150, or \$12.50 per month.

Married man, earning \$570 monthly, or \$6,840 per annum.
 Personal allowance ... \$1,800
 Wife ... 1,350
 Earned income, 10% ... 864

Five per cent. on balance of \$3,006, or \$12.50 per month.

Married man, with two children, earning \$720 a month, or \$8,640 per annum.
 Personal allowance ... \$1,800
 Wife ... 1,350
 Children ... 1,600
 Earned income, 10% ... 864

Five per cent. on the balance of \$3,026 or, slightly more than \$12.50 per month.

That is the fundamental. No-one can say now what the tax will yield. But whatever it yields on the basis of payments as mild as those, cannot conceivably strain the individual economy—or that of the Colony—to anything near breaking point. It might, on the other hand, provide a fairly accurate assessment of what the Colony can genuinely afford to pay. Nor can we see any form of taxation which would spread taxation more equitably among those with the capacity to make a contribution towards defraying the cost of the war to the Empire. Yet to judge by some comments, spreading the burden would not be considered effective unless it included a tax on the coolie's rice! They would substitute a host of irritating minor taxes, which would ensure that the bulk payment came from the Colony's vast under-privileged!

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GERMANY'S HEAVY LOSSES IN U-BOATS

London, To-day.

"Something from a third to a quarter of the total U-boat fleet of Germany has been destroyed and gaps made in the ranks of skilled officers and crews cannot speedily be replaced," said Mr. Churchill in the House of Commons yesterday.

"On the other hand the British Mercantile Marine of 21,000,000 tons has experienced the loss of 156,000 tons by U-boat action to which may be added 18,000 tons through mines or accident—a total of 174,000 tons.

COLONY'S ECONOMIC POTENTIAL

(Continued from Page 8)

The main objection to the tax, as far as we can judge, is ruled entirely by alarm taken at the thought of so much money, on the basis of the official estimate, being taken out of the Colony. Totals are added together, \$6,000,000 as Military Contribution, and \$7,000,000 as War Contribution, a total of roughly £800,000. Such an outgo, it is argued, must be disastrous. Were it outgo, the contention might have some basis. But what are the facts? The military authorities in Hong Kong have spent and are spending vastly greater sums than are represented either by the Military Contribution, or the Defence Contribution added thereto. The money comes back as fast as it goes out, if it is ever actually transferred!

In other words, the effect of the Government's proposals may be judged on this basis: They will relieve the Imperial Government, that is, the British taxpayer, of some of the cost of the defence of Hong Kong. They will have to pay for the Empire's war in Europe, but during the war emergency, Hong Kong will take a greater share of financial responsibility for its own defence on its own shoulders.

Do we have to appeal for a display of patriotism to justify that?

BUFFALO CHARGES

A stampede among a troop of mules occurred yesterday in Waterloo Road when a buffalo charged.

One mule was injured before the buffalo was caught.

The mules, under Major E. L. Law, of the Hong Kong Mule Corps, were exercising in Waterloo Road at the time.

"During the same period we have captured from the enemy 29,000 tons and been refreshed by the arrival of new ships amounting to 104,000 tons.

"It will be seen therefore that while our Mercantile marine remains practically unaffected by U-boat warfare, losses have been inflicted on the enemy which, if continued, could certainly not be endured."

Replying to Mr. A. V. Alexander, Mr. Churchill said that the boom defences at Scapa Flow were not the old defences from the last war. They had been newly-placed in position.

An inquiry was now taking place and when it was complete he would be in a position to answer other questions.

REMARKABLE EXPLOIT

Mr. Churchill told the House that all necessary measures are now being taken to increase the precautions which in the late war proved effective in preventing any enemy penetration of the Scapa Flow anchorage.

He said it was still a matter of conjecture how the U-boat penetrated the harbour defences, but the entry must be regarded as a remarkable exploit of professional skill and daring.—Reuter.

NO REASON TO KNOW U-BOAT WAS DESTROYED

LONDON, TO-DAY. LORD CHATFIELD, DEFENCE CO-ORDINATION MINISTER, MADE A SIMILAR STATEMENT ON THE ROYAL OAK SINKING IN THE HOUSE OF LORDS YESTERDAY AFTERNOON TO THAT OF MR. WINSTON CHURCHILL IN THE COMMONS.

Replying to Lord Gainsford (Opposition Liberal), who asked whether there was any ground in believing the report that the U-boat which sank the Royal Oak had been sunk, Lord Chatfield said the Admiralty had no reason at present to know that the U-boat had been destroyed.—Reuter.

CLUMSY GERMAN PROPAGANDA

LONDON, TO-DAY. THE GERMANS HAVE RECENTLY BROADCAST A SERIES OF CLUMSY STATEMENTS AS PART OF THEIR ATTEMPT TO INFLUENCE NEUTRAL OPINION AGAINST THE BRITISH CONTRABAND CONTROL.

One day, Japan is said to have protested against the boarding of her merchant ships in her territorial waters; the next day it is Chile who demands an apology. These statements have been repeated with variations.

Contradictions also occur. In one breath, the Germans claim that the British are short of food and in the next they are fattened with the riches of war.

THE TRUTH

Significant feature of their propaganda is that entire programme are devoted daily to denying and distorting English news and this is clear proof that it has not been possible to entirely conceal the truth from the German people.—Reuter.



THE ENTENTE CORDIALE.—"The Helping Hand." Here is a delightful picture showing a French sailor assisting a British nurse with her baggage on her arrival "Somewhere in France." (British Official Photograph. Crown Copyright Reserved).

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IMPORTANT STATEMENT ON INDIA AND WAR

London, To-day.

A STATEMENT BY THE Governor-General of India issued yesterday states that following discussions with 52 leaders of Indian political life, representing all parties and opinions, matters have reached a point when a statement should be made.

Clarification is desired on three essential matters, first as to the objectives of His Majesty's Government in the present war and to what extent they are such that India can associate herself;

Second, what are Britain's intentions as to the future contemplated in the constitutional sphere for the Indian Continent,

Third, in what way can best be satisfied the Indian people's desire for a closer and more effective association in the prosecution of the war.

These questions are dealt with in order and, as to the first, the Viceroy points out the impossibility of a detailed definition except that "we are fighting resist aggression whether directed against ourselves or others."

Dealing with the second, he reviews the operations of the Government of India Act, 1935, as so far applied, and after paying tribute to the "distinguished record of public achievement during the last 2-1/2 years" attained by the Provincial Governments, states that the Act contemplated that the second stage should be the reconstitution of the Central Government on such a basis as to achieve the essential goal of Indian unity.

DOMINION STATUS

This stage is necessarily suspended, but, as to the future, he reiterated the statement of Lord Irwin that the natural issue of India's progress is the attainment of Dominion status. The 1935 Act, he states, was based on the greatest measure of common agreement obtainable at the then existing time.

When, at the end of the present war, consideration of the plan for the future Government of India is resumed "His Majesty's Government will be very willing to enter into consultation with the representatives of the several communities, parties and interests in India, and with the Indian Princes, with a view to securing their aid and co-operation in framing such modifications as are seen to be desirable."

OPEN TO MODIFICATION

The scheme will be open to modification in the light of Indian views and the Government will spare no pains to further agreement.

Although a more extensive scheme and wider phrased indications of future intentions are desired in some quarters, he points out the diversity of interests to be considered and the magnitude of the task of arriving at the largest measure of agreement, and says: "With the best will in the world, progress must be conditioned by practical considerations."

Dealing with the third point, India's contribution has impressed the world's imagination.

"At the head of the list, I would put the contribution which India has made in spiritual and not in material terms

—the support of her peoples for a cause which they can regard as a good and righteous cause."

CONSULTATIVE GROUP

As a result of conversations with the leaders, he had reached the conclusion that the future course of India's association with the war can best be secured by the establishment of a consultative group, drawn by the Governor-General from panels prepared by the major political parties, representatives of the Princes, and presided over by the Governor-General.

In conclusion, he stressed the value of Indian unity in the face of the real and imminent danger to civilisation and ideals as precious to India as to any country in the world.

"It is my hope that in the grave juncture we face, India will go forward as a united country in support of the common cause."—British Wireless.

GERMANY'S CLAIM!

London, To-day.

Replying to a Commons question concerning the German claims that they are in command in the North Sea, Mr. Churchill said: "There is a most effective control of all contraband and of all commerce entering Germany. The North Sea is controlled effectually so that Germany can derive no advantage whatever from ocean-going commerce."—British Wireless.

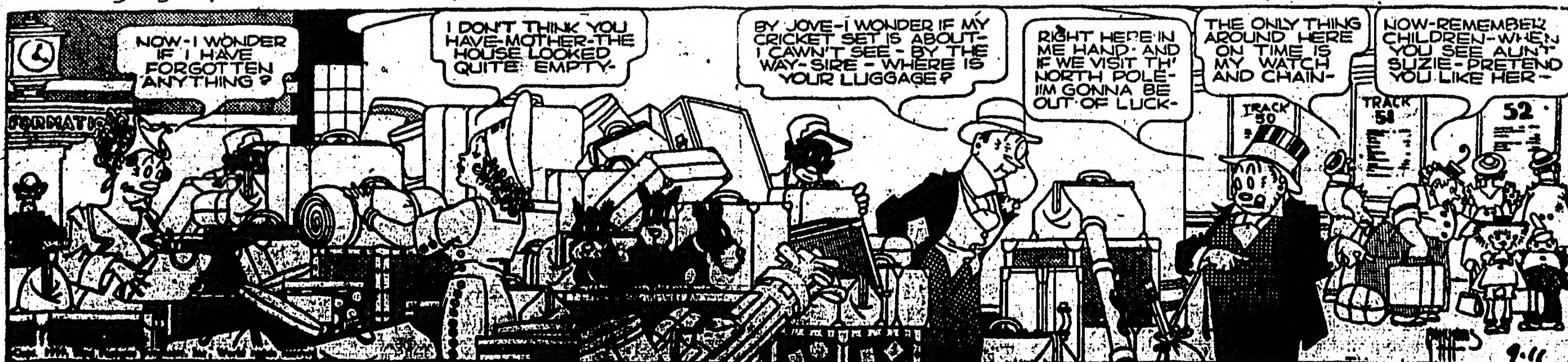
PREMIER TO MAKE STATEMENT

London, To-day.

The Prime Minister, who will make his weekly statement on the war in the Commons to-day, was received in Audience yesterday. His Majesty's Government entertained at luncheon, General and Madame Orbay and the members of the Turkish Military Mission. The Secretary for War presided.—British Wireless.

Bringing Up Father

By George McManus



AUTARKY ARITHMETIC

"BUT IF THE FUEHRER leads them in war," said Alice, doubtfully, "I don't quite see what they want a Field Marshal for at all."

PLIGHT OF POLISH REFUGEES

London, To-day.
The plight of Polish refugees was raised in a Commons question.

The Foreign Under-Secretary answered that although statistics were still incomplete, His Majesty's Government were well aware that large numbers of Poles were forced by invasion to flee.

He paid tribute to the generosity of neighbouring states and referred to the many charitable organisations, both Allied and neutral, which were devoting themselves to the study and solution of the problem.

Mr. Butler also announced that the Government were establishing a central agency with Sir Francis Humphreys at the head, to which all questions affecting Polish refugees could be addressed, and through which any official assistance or advice could be given. — British Wireless.

BRITISH PATROLS IN FAR EAST

London, To-day.
Well-informed circles in London state that there is not the least justification for the repeated allegation on the German wireless that the Japanese are indignant at patrolling by the British fleet of areas adjoining their territorial waters, nor has anything been heard of a Japanese protest in this connection.

There is, indeed, no ground for such a protest for the British action in no way interferes with Japanese operations in the China Seas, while Britain has allowed the Japanese Navy to verify the nationality of Britain's own ships during the China Incident although Japan could not claim belligerent rights. — British Wireless.

BRITAIN'S NAVAL LOSS

London, To-day.
The French Press has been commenting with approval on the promptness and candour of British announcements, whether the news is good or bad from the British point of view.

Thus the British Admiralty at once told the world of the loss of the aircraft carrier Courageous and the battleship Royal Oak.

In connection with these losses, it is being pointed out in naval circles that the loss of one out of Britain's six aircraft carriers means, in terms of tonnage, a total reduced from 122,800 to 100,400, while five other aircraft carriers are in various stages of construction.

In capital ships, Britain has lost one old vessel out of her total of 15 or 29,150 tons out of 474,700, while seven new capital ships are in construction. — British Wireless.

"Perfectly simple," said the Red Queen, with a pronounced sniff. "It's all been thought out beforehand. The Fuehrer leads them to war and the Field Marshal leads them to peace."

"But isn't that the wrong way round?" suggested Alice, timidly.

"Of course it is," said the Red Queen, heartily. "But then they are the wrong way round, you see—otherwise they wouldn't be Hitlerites. So the Fuehrer goes off to the front and the Field Marshal comes home and talks for two hours in Berlin."

"In a bathing costume?" asked Alice.

"Not yet—they haven't got one big enough. Besides, he wouldn't have room for all his medals on it. And the Field Marshal must have his medals on in order to keep himself all worked up for telling Mr. Chamberlain how nice it would be if only everybody (except the Poles) would sit down and talk peace with the Hitlerites."

"But Mr. Chamberlain wouldn't do anything of the kind, would he?" inquired Alice, anxiously.

"If you ask me," said the Red Queen, "I think it's gone a bit beyond Mr. Chamberlain by this time. Though the Field Marshal doesn't seem to realise the point the people he has got to talk peace to now are ever so many million, everyday men and women who are just thoroughly sick and tired of bullies and braggarts and more or less common cut-throats. Any way, the immediate result of talking peace for two hours to Mr. Chamberlain was an announcement by return of ether from the British Cabinet that the Field Marshal and his fellow-assassins had better get ready for three years' war. So that makes five for the Hitlerites to be going on with."

"Why five?" asked Alice.

The Red Queen smiled tolerantly. "Three and two make five, don't they, stupid? The Hitlerites have been blockading themselves for two years—and now they're going to be blockaded by somebody else for another three."

"But why did they blockade themselves?" inquired Alice, now thoroughly confused.

"It's called autarky," said the Red Queen, "or the Four-year Plan. But I doubt whether you would really understand it. It's like giving yourself a flying start into misery in order to improve your moral. You see, first of all you cut off your own food for two years—and then you get somebody else to cut it off for another three. The result is real self-sufficiency."

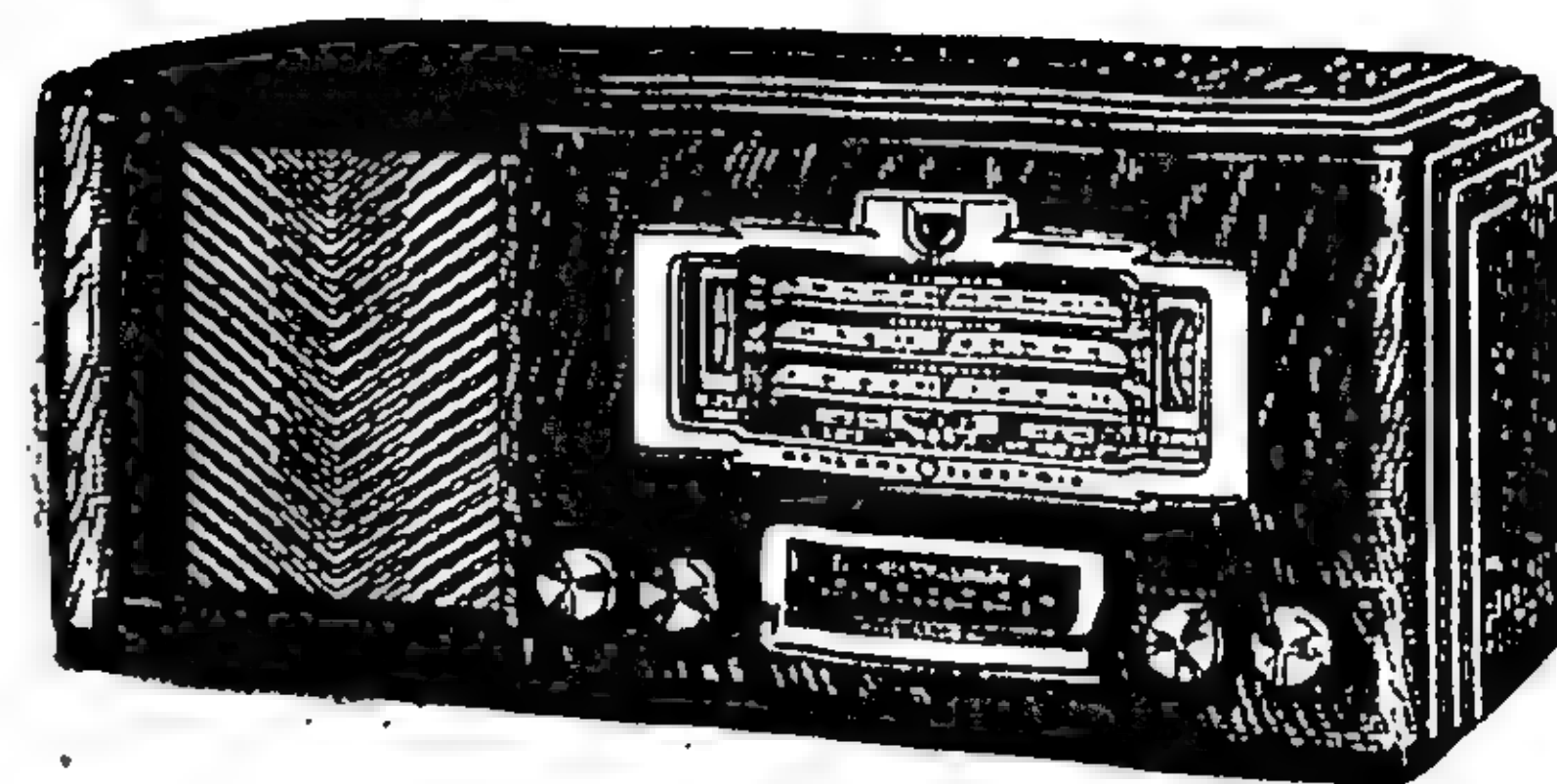
"It sounds very odd to me," said Alice.

"But nothing like so odd as it must sound to the unfortunate German people," said the Red Queen, firmly. "But, you see, that's what comes of getting Goerings mixed up with your national grey matter."

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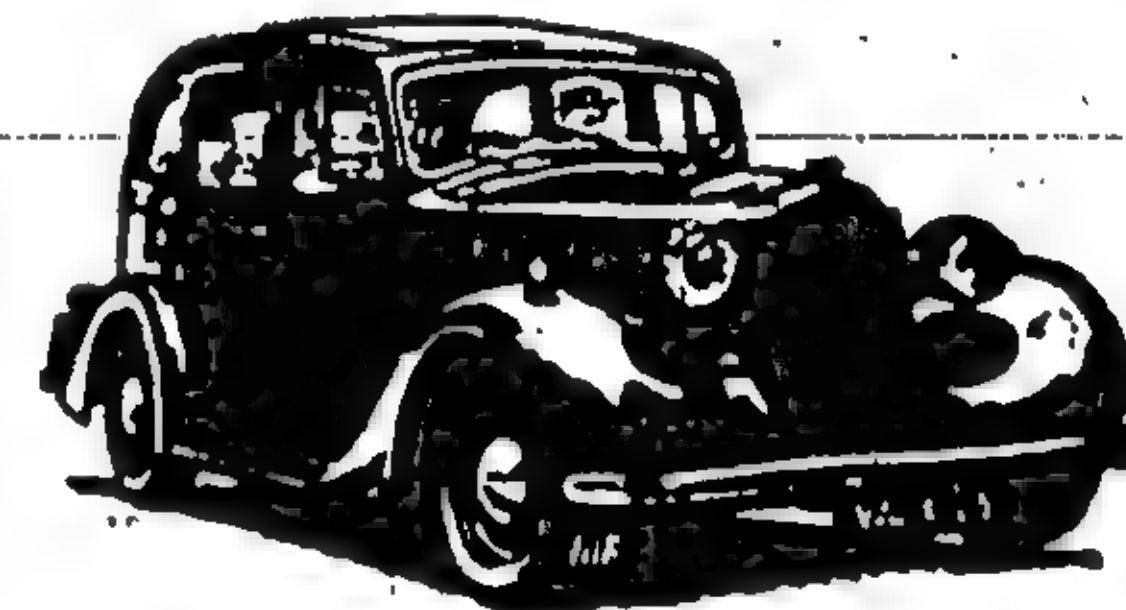
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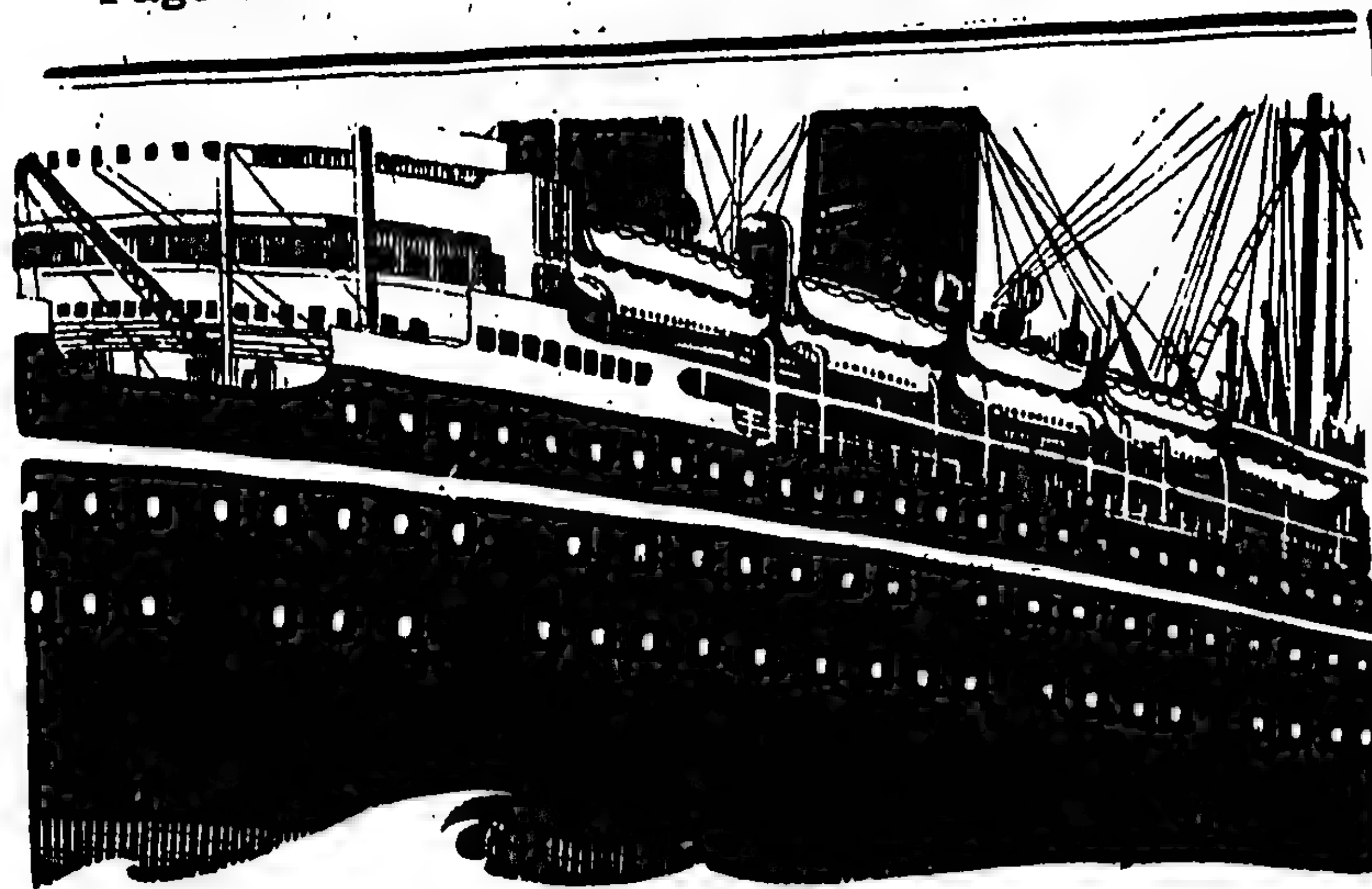
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Shanghai and Japan	G.P.O. Reg.,	Oct. 18, 5.00 p.m.
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Manila	Wed.,	Oct. 18, 7.00 p.m.
Straits	Wed.,	Oct. 18, 7.00 p.m.
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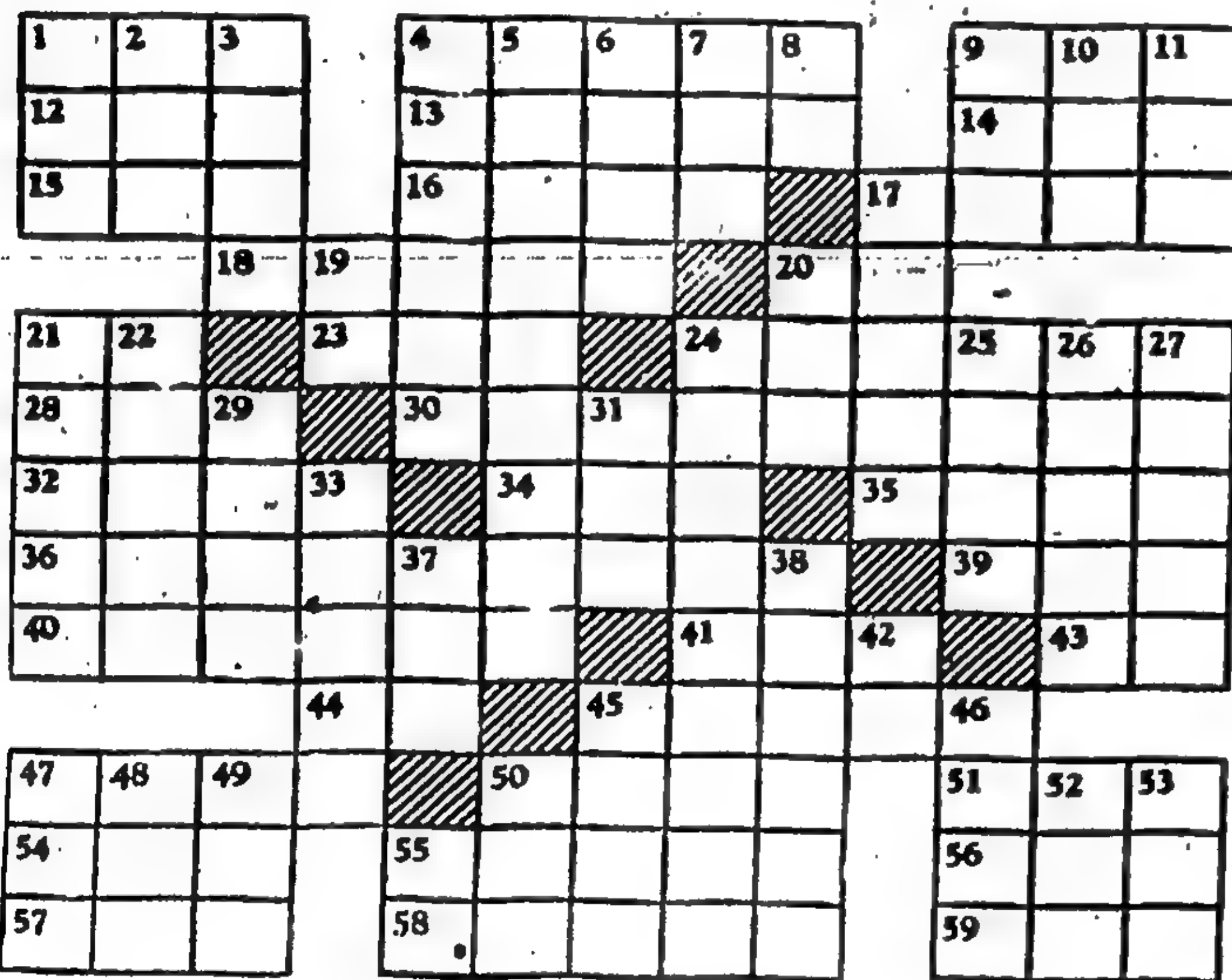
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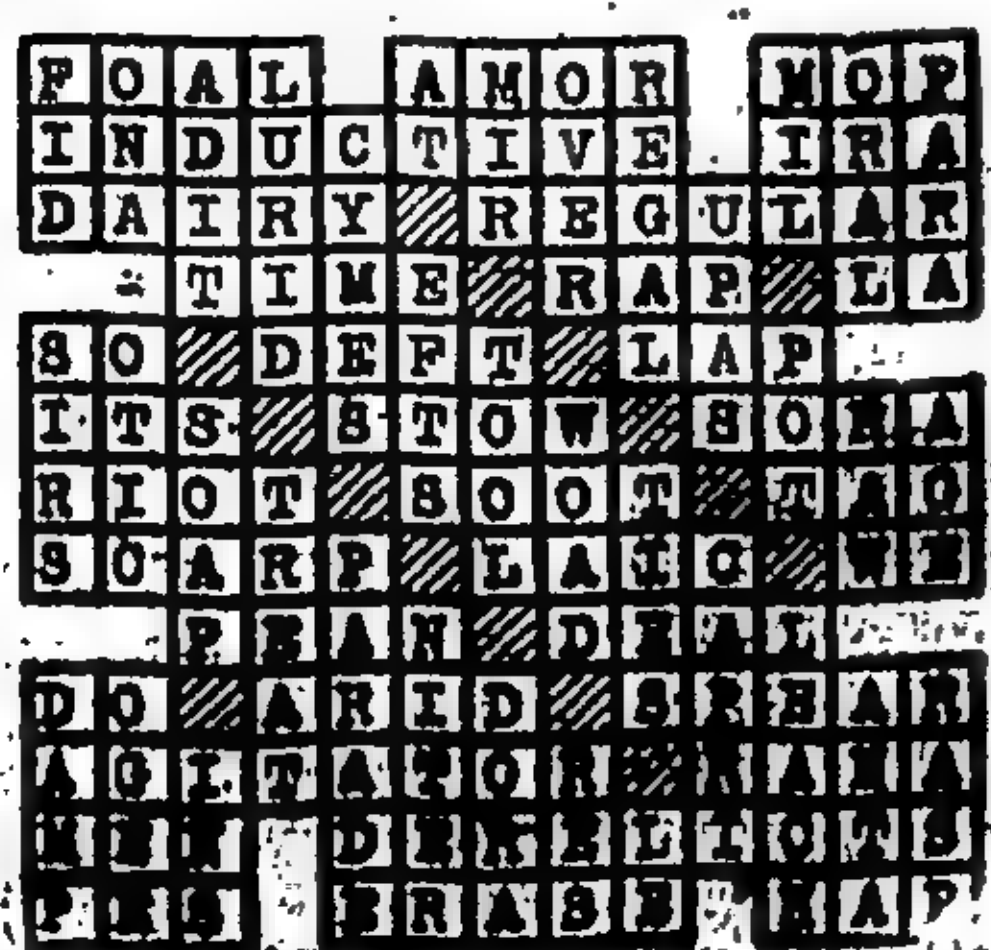
HORIZONTAL

- 1 Moccasin
- 4 To talk idly
- 9 To cut
- 12 Latin: I love
- 13 Spartan bondman
- 14 Wing
- 15 Leather on shoe
- 16 Tumult
- 17 Grain coat
- 18 Related on mother's side
- 20 Conjunction
- 21 Parent
- 23 Habit
- 24 Lowered
- 28 Vestment
- 30 To root out
- 32 Rabble
- 34 Moreover
- 35 Biblical country
- 36 To beguile
- 39 Simian
- 40 Seat
- 41 Part of stocking
- 43 Plural ending
- 44 Hypothetical force
- 45 Feline

VERTICAL

- 1 Fitting
- 2 Chalice
- 3 To contend
- 4 Style
- 5 To say again
- 6 Lily genus
- 7 Child
- 8 French: and
- 9 To damage
- 10 Palm leaf (var.)
- 11 Pale
- 17 To prop
- 19 Greek letter
- 20 Sorcery
- 21 Peels
- 22 Solitary
- 24 Amendments
- 25 Spanish room
- 26 Russian depot
- 27 Greek communes
- 29 Cask
- 31 Literary scraps
- 33 A Sioux Indian
- 37 Radical
- 38 Loops
- 42 Type measure
- 45 Part of beak
- 46 Grain pit
- 47 Danish division
- 48 Along
- 49 Globe
- 50 Eccentric part
- 52 Spanish title
- 53 To be due
- 55 Parent

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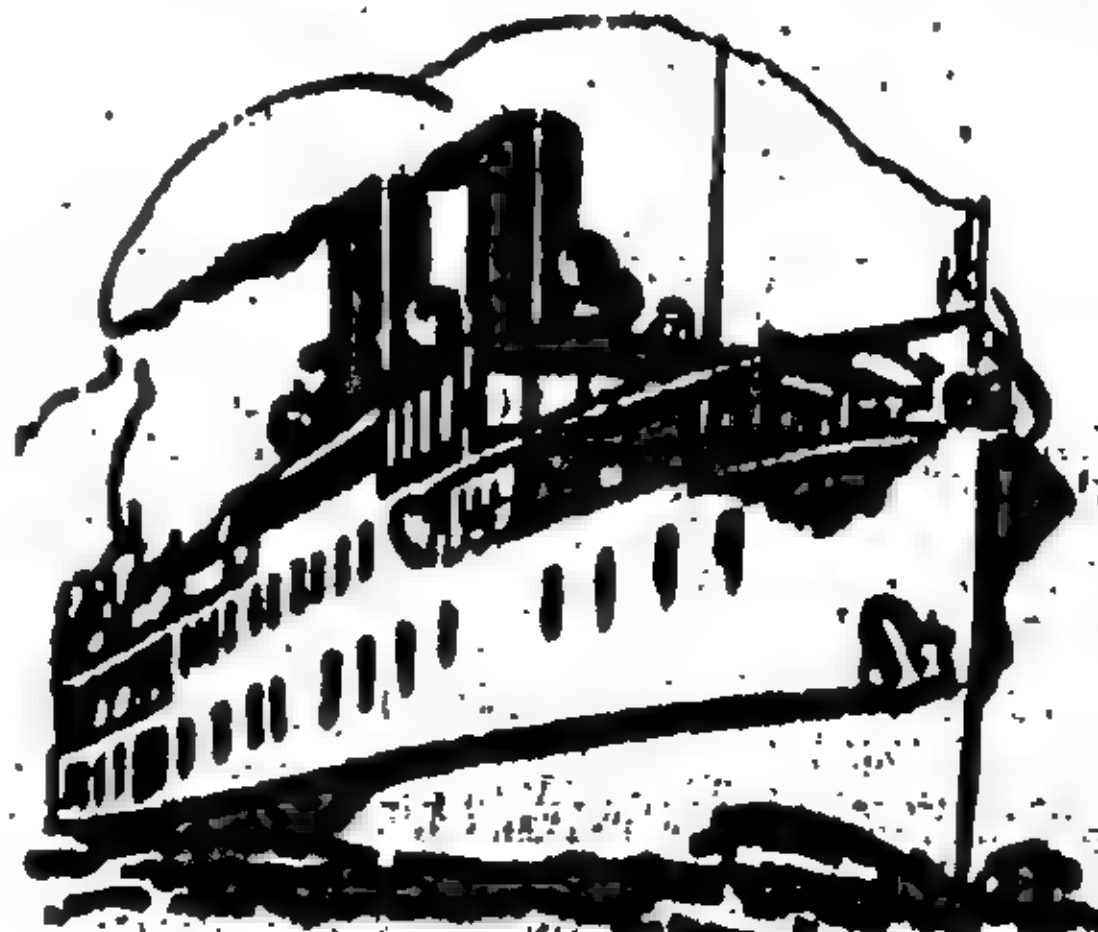
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The office stenog says these long week-ends tend to make one's nose look like a "beak-on" light.

DEATH OF SIR WM. POPE

CHINESE SUCCESSES IN SHANSI

LONDON, TO-DAY.
THE DEATH HAS OCCURRED OF SIR WILLIAM POPE, PROFESSOR OF CHEMISTRY AT CAMBRIDGE UNIVERSITY SINCE 1908.

A member of the Panel of Consultants of Lord Fisher's Admiralty Inventions Board in 1915, he is chiefly noted for his discovery of a cheap method of producing mustard-gas.

No so, well known is the fact that he was the discover of the optical activity due to asymmetry of the nitrogen, sulphur, selenium and tin atoms. —Reuter.

LOCAL DOLLAR

The demand rate on the Hong Kong dollar to-day was 1/2-13/16.

Silver was quoted at 23-1/16 for spot and 22-7/16 forward.

The London on New York cross rate was quoted at £—U.S.\$4.02. The New York on London rate was £—U.S.\$4.00.

Chungking, To-day.
Yesterday's reports of successes by the Chinese forces in the south-east of Shansi province was given due prominence by the press here.

According to Chinese reports, the Japanese forces in south-east Shansi, with bases at Tungyangkwan, Hokwan, Changchi and Changtze, launched a drive on October 8 southwards along the highway between Changchi and Kaoping, towards Kangping.

Those taking part in the drive included 15,000 Japanese cavalry troops and 7,000 infantrymen, supported by 80 field pieces, 140 tanks and armoured cars and more than 20 war planes, it is stated.

While the Chinese forces were resisting the Japanese southward advance on the highway, other bodies of Chinese troops attacked the Japanese flanks on the east and west, these reports say.

ATTACK REPULSED

After ten days of severe fighting, field despatches from the Shansi front claim, the Chinese finally succeeded in repulsing the attack and driving the Japanese back towards their bases.

The Chinese forces, it is further claimed, are now converging on the Japanese bases.

More than 10,000 men are reported to have been lost by the Japanese. —Reuter.

COUNTESS HAIG PASSES

LONDON, TO-DAY.
THE DEATH HAS OCCURRED OF THE COUNTESS HAIG, WIDOW OF THE LATE EARL HAIG, BRITISH COMMANDER-IN-CHIEF DURING THE GREAT WAR.

Countess Haig was the Hon. Dorothy Vivian before her marriage and is the author of two books, "A Scottish Tour," published in 1935, and "The Man I Knew," published 1936.

Their only son, the present (2nd) Earl Haig, is just over 21 years of age. — Reuter.

Mr. G. Robinson, residing at Dina House, has reported the theft of money and jewellery to the value of \$123.

LOCAL SHARES

Following is the list of changes and enquiries in local share quotations to-day:

BANKS

Hong Kong Bank \$1270 b.

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Raub's \$9½ b.

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North Camarines Ps. .12½ b.
Paracale Gumaus Ps. .15 b.
San Mauricio Ps. .65 sa.
Suyoc Consol. Ps. .10 b.
Syndicate Inv. Ps. .02 b.
United Paracales Ps. .24 b.

SUICIDE ATTEMPT

A 67-year-old patient in the Kwong Wah Hospital attempted to hang himself in the hospital's lavatory at 8 p.m. yesterday. The man, Li Fuk, was in very bad health. He was later admitted to the Kowloon Hospital.



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TO-DAY'S STRANGE STORY OF REAL PEOPLE

LEANORE PIPER—
THE PSYCHIC

BY VINCENT TOWNE

A masked man entered a modest cottage on the outskirts of Boston. He proceeded to a room where an unconscious woman leaned over a table, her head buried in a pillow, her hand clutching a pencil whose point rested upon a pad of paper. The woman's hand commenced to write messages to the masked man—communications alleged to be from his relations beyond the grave.

This mysterious visitor returned to the New England cottage day after day, being always announced as "Mr. Smith." At length, he became convinced that the information written to him by the unconscious woman was such that no living person but himself could possibly have known. Much to the astonishment of his brother savants he announced his belief in the power of the living to communicate with the dead.

The masked man was Dr. James H. Hyslop, professor of logic and ethics at Columbia University, New York, and the mysterious woman who converted him to the spiritistic hypothesis was a modest and retiring New England housewife, Mrs. Leonore Piper. Unlike her predecessors, she had assumed her uncanny role unwillingly, had never given public seances, never demonstrated her powers before other than scientific investigators.

This strange woman was the discovery of Professor William James of Harvard, brother of Henry James, the noted litterateur. Nearly a half century ago Professor James, delving into the mysteries of psychic research, learned that she suffered now and then from peculiar aberrations of consciousness, during which it had been accidentally discovered by her family that she could reveal certain truths that could not possibly have come to her from any living personage.

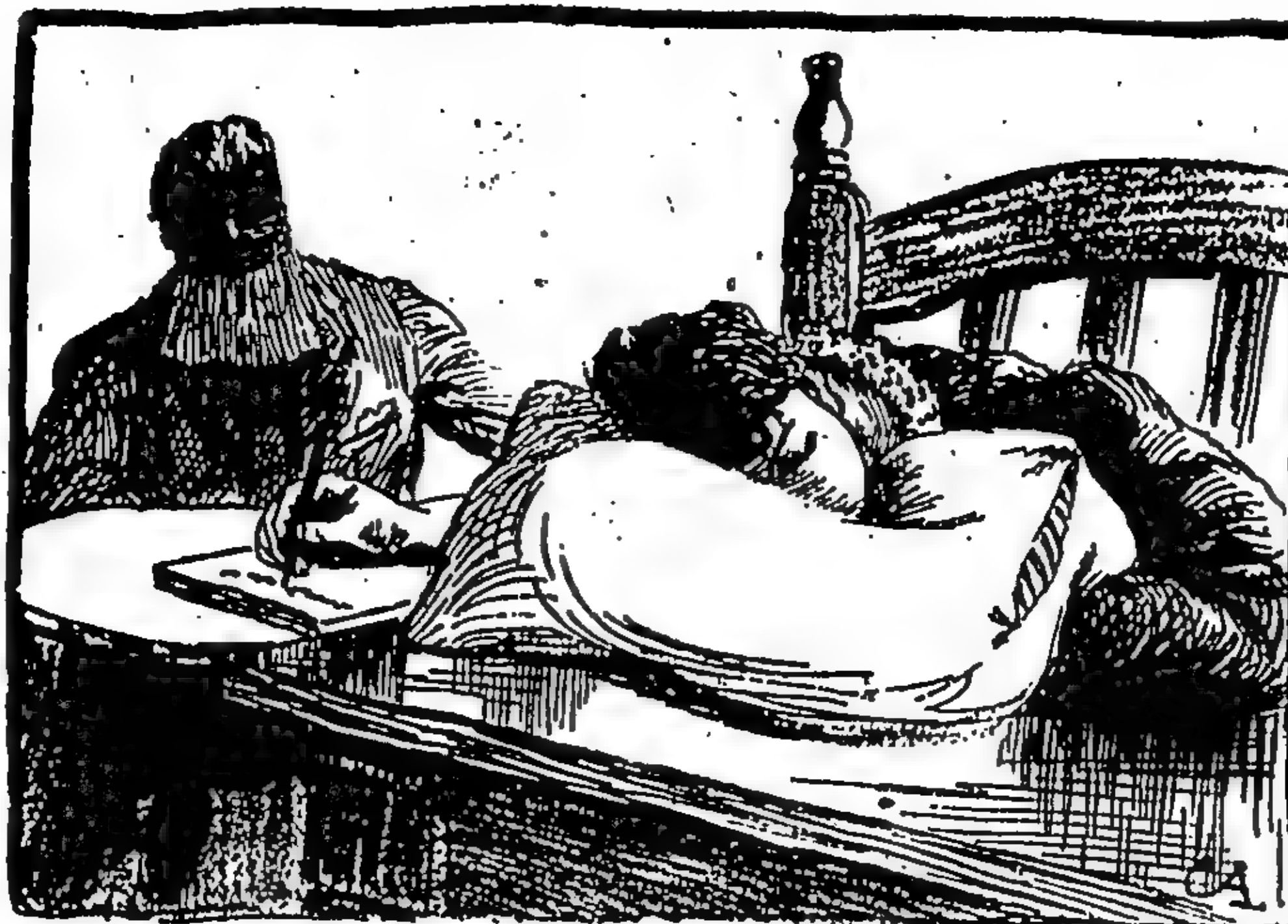
Professor James tested her powers and communicated results to Dr. Richard Hodgson, an English psychologist living in Boston, and in order to subject her to an acid test, Dr. Hodgson conspired with Professor Hyslop, whom he knew to be a skeptic and a careful scientific investigator. Thus it was arranged that Professor Hyslop should mask himself, disguise his voice and proceed to the Piper homestead unknown and unannounced, entering the presence of the alleged medium only after she had lapsed into one of her spells of unconsciousness.

In the course of these experiments, during which the woman of mystery never saw his features or heard his natural voice, Professor Hyslop alleged the pencil in her hands wrote a secret password from his dead father, a word unknown to any one else, and which he was sure could never have been communicated to Mrs. Piper by any living consciousness. Reams of paper, bearing alleged messages written by Mrs. Piper in Professor Hyslop's presence convinced him that her demonstrations were absolutely above fraud, and he had her subjected to medical tests proving that while writing these communications she was beyond question in a state of anesthesia, insensible to pain.

Having convinced these men of science that the dead could communicate with the living, Mrs. Piper received an invitation to visit England, and subject herself to tests arranged by the famous London Society for Psychic Research.

After some persuasion she went abroad, stopping in Liverpool, where, at the residence of Sir Olive Lodge, president of the University of Birmingham, she was subjected to a rigid examination. A committee asked the alleged medium to communicate to them just what two persons, whom they knew to be utter strangers to her, were doing minute by minute in London at that precise time. Mrs. Piper, entering the "trance" state, wrote a description of these person's acts during the evening and comparison later divulged that she was correct.

Proceeding to London, she underwent a long course of investigation at the hands of a committee of the Society for Psychic Research, and



UNCONSCIOUS... HER HEAD BURIED IN A PILLOW...
HER HAND CLUTCHING A PENCIL

many more learned savants capitulated to her. Describing his experiences with Mrs. Piper, Professor Hyslop said:

"I wore a black mask covering my face from my forehead to below my beard when I began to visit Mrs. Piper. I remained masked in this

way for a year and thus hid my identity from her until after the results of those experiments had been obtained. She goes into a trance while seated in a chair, her head resting on pillows piled on a stand before her. She turns her face to the left so that she can not see the writing executed with

her right hand, which, holding a pencil, rests upon a pad on another table to her right. She talks on various subjects until suddenly dropping forward on the pillows."

An example of the testimony alleged to have been communicated by Mrs. Piper to him was described to me by Professor Hyslop as follows:

"Once while I was having at sitting with Mrs. Piper, a 'message' was received from a man, a stranger to me, who gave his name; and—that of his home town. He also stated that he had lost a finger. I made inquiry in the county and town mentioned as his home and found that the oldest residents of the same name, people 75 and 84 years old, had never heard of him. Later I found a cousin of those people's father who had had the same name and had died before I was born. Pursuing my inquiries still further, I found that this man had lost a finger in the War of 1812."

This mysterious woman succeeded in retaining the confidence of all who investigated her, and because of her persistent refusals to make public demonstrations of her alleged phenomena, she retained the respect even of the skeptics who refused to capitulate to her. She disclaimed any theories as to the source from which her alleged "messages" were derived.

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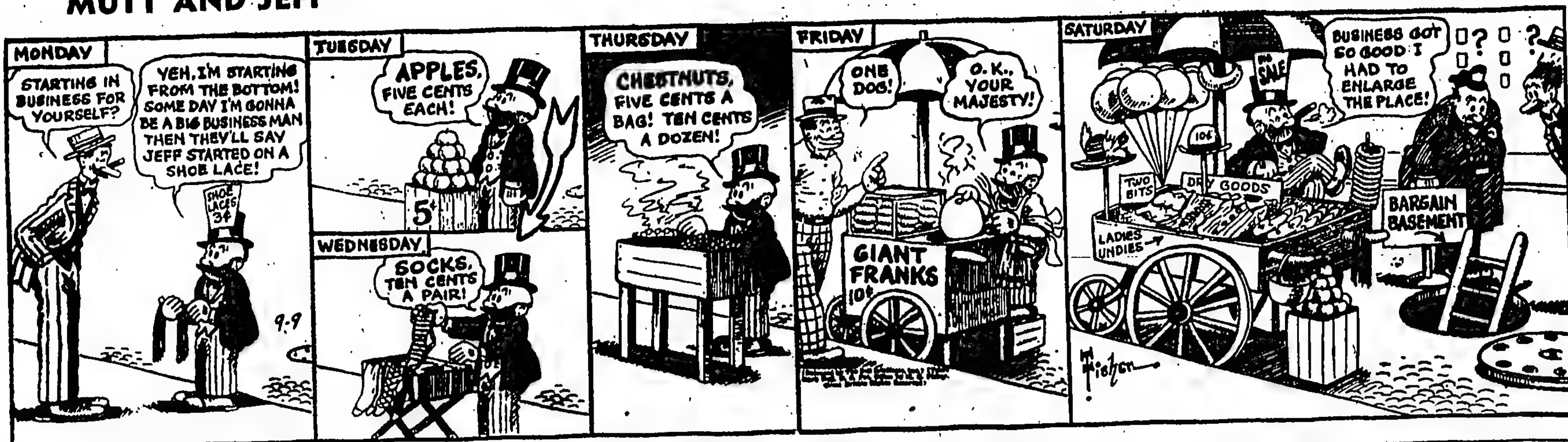


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12.15 p.m.—Short Service of Intercession.
12.30 p.m.—Compositions of Darius.
1.00 p.m.—Local Time Signal and Weather Report.
1.03 p.m.—Sam Browne (Vocal) and Primo Scala's Accordion Band.
1.30 p.m.—Reuter and Rugby Press, Weather Forecast and Announcements.
1.45 p.m.—Frances Faye, Ike Hatch, and Horace Heidt and His Alemites Brigadiers.
2.15 p.m.—Close down.
6.00 p.m.—Compositions of Brahms. Das Madchen Spricht, Op. 107, No. 3; Standchen, Op. 106, No. 1. Elisabeth Schumann (Soprano) with Piano accompaniment.
Quartet In A Minor, Op. 51, No. 2. Lerner String Quartet.
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Hungarian Dance No. 1. Grisha Goluboff (Violin) with Piano accompaniment by Ivor Newton.
6.45 p.m.—London Relay—News Supplement.
6.55 p.m.—Sydney MacEwan (Tenor), Jean Day (Soprano) in a Scottish Programme.
Annie Laurie (Trad.—arr. Murray); Will Ye No Come Back Again? (Baroness Mairne—arr. Scott-Wood); Sydney MacEwan (Tenor) with Piano.
Skye Eightsome Reel (arr. Diack); Scottish Country Dance Orchestra.
Tam Glen (arr. Stephen & Burnett); Dairdie's Farewell To Scotland

(Songs of the Hebrides)—arr. Kennedy Fraser; Jean Day (Soprano) with Piano.
Meg Merrilees (arr. Diack); Glasgow Highlanders (arr. Diack); Scottish Country Dance Orchestra.
The Road To The Isles (MacLeod-Kennedy-Fraser); Ye Banks And Brass (arr. Murray); Sydney MacEwan (Tenor) with Instrumental Trio.
Strip The Willow (arr. Diack); Petronella (arr. Diack); Scottish Country Dance Orchestra.

7.32 p.m.—Closing Local Stock Quotations.
7.34 p.m.—Variety with Clapham and Dwyer, Frances Langford and the Four Aces.
Vocal—Melody from the Sky (from 'The Trail of the Lonesome Pine')—Frances Langford with Orch.
Vocal—Melody Trumps No. 2. Intro: Is it true what they say about Dixie?; Shoe shine boy; Lost; Would you?; Robins and roses; Goody, Goody.... The Four Aces (The Vocal Orchestra).
Humorous—Golf.... Clapham and Dwyer.
Vocal—It's Like Reaching for the Moon; Long Ago and Far Away (film 'Three Cheers for Love').... Frances Langford with Orchestra.
Humorous—A Surrealist Alphabet (Clapham & Dwyer).... Clapham & Dwyer.

8.00 p.m.—Local Time Signal, Weather Report and Announcements.
8.03 p.m.—Beethoven—Triple Concerto in C Major, Op. 56. Richard Odno-posoff (Violin); Stefan Auber ('Cello); and Angelica Morales (Piano) with the Vienna Philharmonic Orchestra conducted by Felix Weingartner.
8.40 p.m.—Studio—Recital by Gaston D'Aquino (Tenor) and E. O'Neil Shaw (Piano).
1. (a) The Wild Rose (Schubert); (b) Who is Sylvia (Schubert).
2. (a) A Granada (Alvarez); (b) Princessita (Padilla).... Gaston D'Aquino (Tenor).
3. Playera (Granados).... E. O'Neil Shaw at the Piano.
4. Three Songs by Tosti: (i) 'A Vucchella'; (ii) Luna d'Estate; (iii) 'A Marechiaro'.
5. Lollita (Buzzi-Peccia).... Gaston D'Aquino (Tenor).
9.05 p.m.—Studio—Comments on Recent Events.

9.15 p.m.—London Relay—The News.
9.30 p.m.—The Comedy Harmonists.
Little Sandman (Brahms, arr. Frommermann); In Silent Night (Brahms, arr. Frommermann); Congo Lullaby (film 'Sailors of the River'); Love Me A Little Today (Herbert & Brodsky).... with Piano accompaniment.
9.43 p.m.—Charlie Kunz at the Piano.
Charlie Kunz Piano Medley No. R. 3. Intro: Old Bohemian Town; Roll along Covered Wagon; She wore a little jacket of blue; Pop goes your heart; I believe in Miracles; Okay Toots.
Charlie Kunz Piano Medley No. R. 8. Intro: Rehearsing a Lullaby; There's a Lovely Lake In London; Chasing Shadows; Lovely to look at; Red Sails in the Sunset; On the good Ship Lollipop.
Piano Medley No. R. 18. Intro: When Irish Eyes are Smiling; Comin' Thro' the Rye; Oh! You Beautiful Doll; Yip I Addy; Lilly of Laguna; Loch Lomond; If You Were the Only Girl in the World; Daisy Bell.
10.02 p.m.—Dance Music.
Fox-Trot—Jubilee (film 'Every Day's a Holiday'); The Dipsy Doodle.... Nat Gonella & His Georgians.
Waltz—A Waltz was Born in Vienna.... The Music Makers.
Quickstep—Sky High Honeymoon (film 'Everything in Rhythm').... Harry Roy & His Orchestra.
Fox-Trot—Star Dust; Chinatown, My Chinatown.... Henry Jacques & His Orchestra.
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Waltz—Oh, My Man In The Moon; Quickstep—I Wasn't Lying When I Said "I Love You".... Henry Jacques with His Correct Dance Tempo Orchestra.
Tangos—Monika; Cara Mari.... Barnabas Von Geczy & His Orch.
Fox-Trot—Somebody Stole My Gal; Temptation Rag.... The Ballyhooligans.
Quickstep—Take A Tip From The Tulip (film 'Radio City Revels'); Waltz—You Got The Best of the Bargain.... Henry Jacques & His Correct Dance Tempo Orchestra.
11.00 p.m.—Close down.

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If one could see all the cards, what a simple game Contract would be. In the Masters' Pair Championship at Asbury Park, N. J., practically every South player—and there were 58 of them—became Declarer a four hearts and; owing to the unfortunate distribution, was set one, losing a trick in each suit. But, looking at four hands, the contract can be made!

South, Dealer
Both sides vulnerable
♠ A K J
♥ Q 8 6 5 4
♦ 9 7 2
♣ J 3
N
W
E
S
♠ 10 7 3
♥ K 10
♦ J 10 4 8
♣ A K 10
♠ 9 8 5 4
♥ A 9 7 8 3
♦ A K 6
♣ Q

The bidding:
South West North East
1♥ 2♣ 3♥ 4♣
4♥ Pass Pass Pass

West opened the King of clubs and followed with the Ace of clubs, South trumping. Now Declarer should play

the Ace and King of diamonds (remember, we're playing double-dummy). If the East player makes this same two-card bid, then play a third diamond. West would now be thrown in and would have to play either a club or a spade, either lead

giving South his contract. But now let's say that East, being a smart player, unlocks by dropping his diamond Queen. Now South lays down the Ace of hearts, then plays dummy's Ace and King of spades. Now West is thrown on lead with either a heart or a diamond. At this point West would have to lead either a diamond or a club, whereupon South would discard the Jack of spades from dummy and trump in his own hand. Yes indeed, Contract would be an easy game if all four hands were played face up.

Yesterday, as Howard Schenken's partner, you held:

♠ K Q x x
♥ x x
♦ A x
♣ K J 10 x x
The bidding:
Schenken Jacoby You Burnstone
1♣ 1♥ (?)

ANSWER: Your correct bid is one spade. An immediate jump in clubs might crowd the bidding. Score 100% for one spade, 70% for three clubs, 0 for any other bid.

QUESTION NO. 284

♠ A K 8 3
♥ 10 6 4 3
♦ A 7 3 2
♣ A J 9 8

What do you bid? (Answer: Monday.)

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(By "ADREM")

FINE innings by A. E. Perry, of Civil Service, G. E. R. Divett, of Club, and A. R. Kitchell, of Indian Recreation Club, were the highlights of Saturday's cricket.

The cricket season can now be said to be fairly well under way as there were games on most grounds and a fairly high standard was reached despite a scorching sun and obvious lack of practice of players.

Perry's early finding of form should be particularly useful as there is nothing like a good start to set the runs coming.

C.S.C.C. "PRESS GANG"

I understand that T. V. N. Fortescue, who made a useful 23 on Saturday, is a Civil Servant and most likely to be grabbed by C.S.C.C., while with Perry, McLellan, Baker, Colledge, Richardson, Barrow, Whitley in addition to Fenton, an accurate bowler who should get wickets when grounds harden up a bit, and two youngsters in Hollidge and Ainslie available, prospects look distinctly bright.

Divett, I am told, batted very attractively for Club, while veteran T. E. Pearce still shows an ability to give lessons to the younger element.

Apart from Perry's innings, John Barrow, very unsure of himself to start, with aid obviously right out of practice, played a stolid knock of 29 and both Hollidge and Ainslie, overawed I thought from their first appearance in a big match on Club ground, settled down later to play some fine shots.

The bowling on both sides was not of a very high order, although Perry had one fine spell.

Returning from Volunteers, John and Alice Pearce deputised in the field for a time during the Civil Service innings and appeared fairly sprightly despite their "exertions" as soldiers!

GOOD EFFORT

Royal Air Force can be said to have fairly covered themselves with glory by drawing with a by no means weak Recreation team. The Airmen appear to be somewhat inconsistent in their form. In two previous matches they trounced the Police and were themselves trounced by Central British schoolboys.

They did exceedingly well to dismiss Recreation for 109 which total would have been a good deal less had not H. A. Barros, who is getting on to the veteran stage, played a really useful if somewhat lucky innings to score 32.

The R.A.F. attack proved well varied and the wickets were fairly evenly distributed, Gillespie meeting with most success with 5 for 23.

W. G. New stood up to Eddie Gosano and H. L. Ozorio, that devastating combination of last year, fairly successfully and his 37 out of 52 was a really valuable effort.

R.A.F. were never in any real danger of defeat, although they had difficulty in getting the ball away, and had five wickets in hand when stumps were drawn.

I don't propose in this article to deal with the Army cricketers in the Army-I.R.C. matches as the "Mail" Army correspondent.



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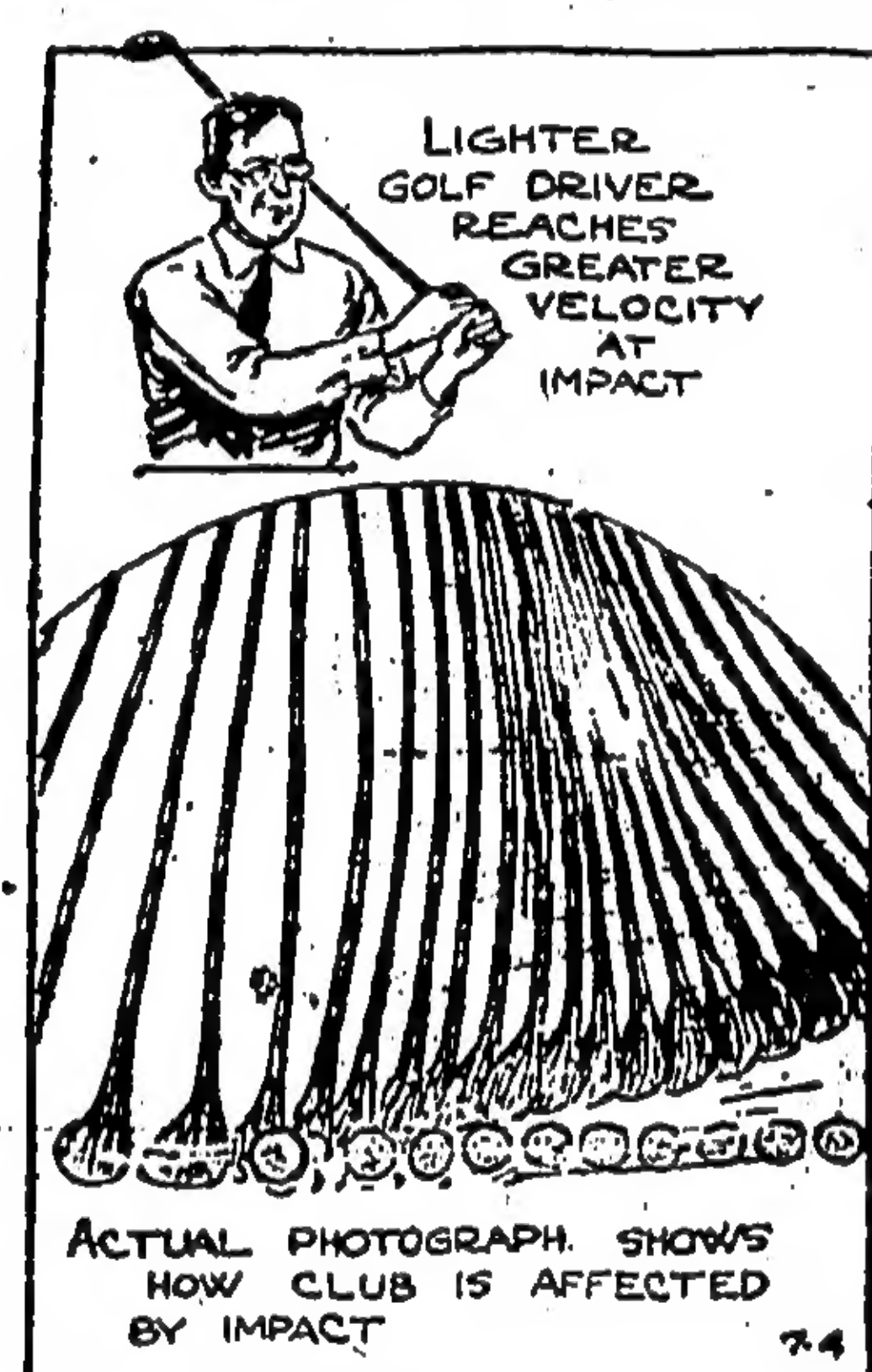
I am told, however, that there was quite an exciting finish, the last Army wicket falling within a couple of minutes of time.

A. R. Kitchell batted most impressively for his 67. He has added a range of scoring strokes to his excellent defence and his batting now is really good.

A. H. Madar bowled successfully to take 6 for 44 in nearly 10 overs, shouldering the extra responsibility resultant upon the ab-

THE CLUB TO USE

GRAPHIC GOLF



BY BEST BALL

Tests with an ultra high speed camera by staff members of the Massachusetts Institute of Technology revealed that the lighter golf club the greater the velocity at impact. Francis Ouimet, former Amateur champion, was the golfer photographed in these experiments and extensive tests were made. The machine also recorded however that results with the lighter club were not as uniform as they might be. Yet it is only recently that the reason for this was unveiled. By means of the "multiple flash" method of photography, an actual photograph of which is reproduced above, it was shown that the shaft of the club was inclined to bend too much at impact and the club face to vary in its alignment. The trajectory of the ball proved to be erratic as a result.

For this reason it might be wise for the player to employ a more medium weight club yet here too one runs into a problem that can only be solved by experimenting. For instance what may be a heavy club for one player might be light for another. Perhaps it would be wise to follow Gene Sarazen's method of swinging an extra heavy club in practice and a lighter one in actual play. In time the average weight club might seem light by comparison and considerable velocity generated at impact without fear of erratic results.

Friday—Thompson's Wide Arc.

CAPT. GROSE CREATES GOOD IMPRESSION IN SUNDAY GAME

Capt. D. C. E. Grose, the new Army batsman, is a certainty for any Interports that may be held while he is in the Colony, is the impression formed by those who have seen him in action.

Although I have been unable to secure details of the match, I have learned that Craigengower and Royal Engineers were in opposition at the Valley on Sunday afternoon.

Grose only made a few runs but the manner in which he shaped bespoke the batsman of real class. His cover-driving has to be seen to be believed and he evidently has all the strokes in the book at his command.

At the moment he confesses that the local wickets "have him all at sea."

sence of A. R. Minu, very well. I am told, however, that he was a shade fortunate in getting several of his wickets.

Only feature of the junior game was a useful innings by A. R. Marker, who, when he has developed some scoring shots, should be very useful.

Unlike many other clubs, both Police and University had a wealth of players on hand for their match at the Valley. Result was they played 13 on one side and 12 on the other.

AGRICULTURAL

Carey and Hunter got a few runs for Police but there was a decided smack of the village green in the efforts of most of the "batmen!"

W. S. Gegg, the former C.B.S. player, had a very good match, taking 3 for 32 and making a nice 41.

I am pleased to note the success of R. Singh, who must be one of the keenest cricketers in the Colony. He bowled extremely well to take 6 for 22 in 10 overs.

Lo Tak-cheung, who evidently does not confine his sporting activities to swimming, showed promise in an innings of 20 not out. Heath was the only Police bowler to meet with any success and I cannot understand why he was put on so late in view of some of his performances last season.

Junior champions, Kowloon Cricket Club, got off to a good start against a rather scratch Navy side, whom they beat without being extended.

Mulcahy, not too sure of himself to begin with, watched the ball carefully until well set and then proceeded to make 48, while Francis Lay more than lived up to his school reputation in making a very nice 54 featured by powerful leg shots and good square-cutting.

GOOD BOWLING

B. D. Lay also made runs and afterwards bowled very well indeed against a side lacking in practice to take 4 for 24.

I would like to see Lay given a regular place in the first eleven which, short in bowling, could make good use of his spinners.

Baldwin also had a good spell during which he took 3 for 0 but Lt. Smith later collared him and treated him severely.

Smith played what I should term a typical Navy innings. Shaky at the outset, he went for the bowling bald-headed as soon as he was seeing them a bit and made some really good hits.

Only other match was played at Central British School between C.B.S. and a scratch eleven captained by N. D. Booker.

C.B.S. PROSPECTS

Weller, of whom much was expected, failed, with the bat and met with scant success with the ball, but Pryde flogged the weak visitors' attack, while J. P. Asche, a new name to me, and H. V. Lockhart also made a number of runs before retiring.

C.B.S., in their few matches thus far this season, have shown that they will be a power in schools' cricket this year.

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BOE AND PAGE PLAY THEMSELVES INTO SIDE

(By "SCRUM-HALF")

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ARMV, who open their Rugby season on Saturday next with a match against Club at the Valley, held their final Trial yesterday at Sookunpoo, but were unfortunate in that numerous changes had to be made, with the result that Probables proved overwhelmingly superior and won by five goals and two tries (31 points) to nil.

RICHARDS EXCELS

Apart from giving the three-quarters an opportunity to get in some needed passing practice, the trial, however, revealed that Army have not a full-back of good enough calibre, while a better right wing-threequarter will need to be found to partner Boe. Otherwise the team picks itself. Page, brought in at the last moment in place of Whitehead, should secure a place in the pack as the result of his good all-round display yesterday.

On the face of it the best Army can produce at the moment is: Otway; Hook, Bee, Waite and Richards; Douglas and Lang; Berry, Hewitt and Evans; Pinkerton and Page; Duke, Ridsdale and Cuthbertson (captain).

Hook might be tried at full-back, or even Smith of the Seaforths. I would be inclined to experiment with the latter and retain Hook on the wing, though his position is really in the centre.

him. Berry and Page were very hard-working in the loose, being up with the ball all the time.

It was pleasing to notice there were very much fewer "pats" back from line-outs, while the forwards were jumping for the ball and packing quickly round the one in possession.

All in all, Army looked yesterday to have a better team than they really have, due to the poor opposition, but Club will have to watch their pack, which is likely to prove their strongest department. Douglas also will have a big say in Army's fortunes this season.

Absentees were 2/Lt. Cuthbertson, Army captain, who was with the Selectors, Lt. Skipworth, a probable centre threequarter who was injured last Tuesday, Gunner Whitehead, a possible second row forward, Lt. Belton, who is injured, Lt. Hook, L/Cpl. Sutherland, who is just out of hospital, and L/Cpl. Foley.

ONE-SIDED MATCH

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Almost from the kick-off it was clear that the game was going to be one-sided, the Probables being much the better balanced team. Roe was early in the limelight with excellent passing, swift and waist high, but, Walte ruined a good opportunity when he attempted too much on his own instead of letting the ball out to his unmarked wing threequarter. Lang was slow in getting the ball away from a slow heeling pack and his passes at this period were high and too slow for the aggressive Douglas.

Waiter opened the scoring after a fine cut through between the posts and Boe converted. Probable threequarters were settling down now, and with Hewitt getting the ball back with monotonous regularity Lang showed up to much better advantage. The result was that Possibles were hopelessly outplayed. A good threequarter movement ended in Lomax scoring easily from an unmarked position, only for Boe to fail to mark him from a comparatively easy position. Pinkerton was very prominent in the loose, both

Pinkerton was very prominent in the loose, but Lang was often offside following both tight and loose scrums. From one of the latter he sent out a perfect pass to Douglas, the ball travelled along the line to

RICHARDS EXCELS

Richards played a rousing game and will take some stopping on Saturday, while Boe walked into the side as the result of determined running and unselfish play. Waite is very fast but inclined to hold on to the ball too long. Douglas was at his best, making opening after opening before transferring the ball. He was not grassed once in possession. Lang is not a class scrum-half but he is hard-working. He will, however, need to curb his impetuosity if Army are to avoid continual penalties for offside play. Otway, not called on to do anything in the first half, was given an opportunity to show his tackling abilities when he was switched over to face the all-conquering Probables' back division. He met with no success, bad positioning and slowness leaving him helpless.

At forward, Ridsdale and Duke were again very prominent, and Pinkerton played with a great deal more dash than he did last week. Hewitt hooked well and Sutherland, who was an absentee, is unlikely to displace

Surprise Selections

The following team will represent Army against Club on the Club ground next Saturday at 4.45 p.m.

1. Lieut. Otway. R.E.
 2. Lieut. Lomax. 8/H. Regt. R. A.
 3. L/Cpl. Boe. R. S.
 4. L/Cpl. Waite. R. E.
 5. L/Cpl. Smith. Seaforth H.
 6. Lieut. Douglas. R. S.
 7. L/Sgt. Lang. R.A.O.C.
 8. Pte. Berry. Mdx. R.
 9. Lieut. Howktt. Mdx. R.
 10. L/Bdr. Evans. 5. A.A.R.A.
 11. 2/Lt. Pinkerton. R. S.
 12. Gunnr. Whitehead. 5. A.A.R.A.
 13. Capt. Duke. R. S.
 14. Lieut. Ridsdale. Royal Norfolk R.
 15. Sergt. Page. 5. A.A.R.A.
- Reserves—Gunnr. Richards. 8. H. Regt. R.A., L/Sgt. Blackman. R.E., L/Cpl. Foley. R.E., and Sappn. Artingstall. R.E.

It is beyond comprehension why the Waiter-Richards wing has been split up. This was the most dangerous combination yesterday, and the fact Richards is a reserve indicates he is fit. Cuthbertson's regrettable absence has given either Whitehead or Page a place, and Hook seems to be still on the unavailable list otherwise Lomax or Smith would have had to stand down.

It is a disappointing selection and does not fully represent Army's potential strength.

Lomax, who appeared to knock-on before going over. Boe failed to convert. Shortly after Richards went over in the corner following a powerful run and Berry converted with a fine kick to give Probables an interval lead of 16-0.

16-0.
THREE CHANGES

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Three changes were made at half-time. Otway changing with Easterbrook to secure some tackling practice and Smith changing with Lomax on the wing. Smyth displaced Gracie at scrum-half.

These changes did not have the desired effect, however, and Probables continued in dashing style. Douglas broke away and, having "sold the dummy," transferred to Boe who, with two unmarked men on his left, "sold the dummy" again and went over between the posts for Douglas to convert.

Walte and Richards then came into the picture with determined running and the former came up well on Richards' left to take his pass and then send him over for a try between the posts. Douglas converted. Gibson was winded in a loose scrum shortly after and was able to continue.

A scrum five yards from Possibles' line saw Richards cut through unopposed and score between the posts for Berry to add the goal points and bring to a close a game in which Possibles at no stage looked like scoring.

Following were the teams:-
 Probables.—Lt. Otway (R.E.); Lt. Lomax (R.A.); L/Cpl. Boe (R.S.); L/C. Waite (R.E.); Gnr. Richards (S.H. R.A.); Lt. Dou-
 glas (R.S.) (Capt. L/Sgt. Lang (R.A.O.C.);
 Pte. Berry (Midx. R.). Lieut. Hewitt (Midx. R.).
 L/Bdr. Evans (5/A.A. R.A.); Lt. Pin-
 kerton (R.S.). Sgt. Page (5/A.A. R.A.);
 Capt. Duke (R.S.). Lt. Riddsdale (Royal Nor-
 folk Regiment). Sgt. Blackburn.
 Reserves.—Gnr. Easterbrook (5/A.A. R.A.); Spr. Artingstall (R.E.); 2/Lt. Gibson (R.E.); L/Cpl. Muggerdike (Midx. R.); L/C. Smith (Seaford Highlanders); L/C. Pictor (R.E.). Pte. Gracie (R.S.); L/C. Boustead (R.A.O.C.); L/C. Coombe (R.S.); Pte. Dun-
 lock (Midx. R.); Gnr. McDermott (S/H. R.A.); Gnr. Cook (S/H. R.A.); Cpl. Brinkley (R.E.); Gnr. Clark (5/A.A. R.A.); Sgt. Burell (Midx. R.).

CLUB TRIAL TO-DAY

The final Club trial game will take place at Happy Valley this evening, commencing at 5.15 p.m. Two sides have been provisionally selected, as follows; but there will be changes during the course of play and all members present will be sure of a game. Probables will play in coloured jerseys and Possibles in white.

Probables:—F. M. Thompson; D. H. Stewart, H. D. Bidwell, D. H. Hamilton, D. I. Bosanquet; C. R. Bursey, J. R. Henderson; A. F. Watkins (Captain), K. W. Salter, E. A. Bompas; C. F. Needham, W. E. Peers; G. B. Godfrey, A. G. Taylor and B. O'M. Deane.

Deane.
Possibles:—H. F. Hopkins, H. van Leeuwen, J. G. Day, J. C. Charles, R. M. Lavalle, F. Cassard, R. Rutherford, J. M. Banner, J. S. Dunnett (Captain), R. E. Heasman, J. H. Tharmin, W. Riechardt, W. B. Richardson, L. A. Smith and S. Kynes.
Reserves:—A. E. E. Hughes, J. Easer, J. Hutchison, D. B. Nelson, F. H. Wilson, R. G. Castleton, E. M. McKim, J. C. Neathlinick.

It will be noticed that Currier has displaced Cederstrom in a somewhat different position. This displacement is an excellent one, but it will not surprise if Cederstrom at least enters the race in this position.

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By Order,

C. B. BROWN,
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Hong Kong, 16th. Oct., 1939.

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"I am not his wife and I do not know him," retorted the young woman.

"She is my sweetheart and this man is trying to take her away from me," the second man counter-claimed.

After waiting almost half an hour for the three to calm down, the police took down statements, after which the three were ordered to go home.

HEROIN CASE

Sentence of two years' hard labour was passed on Tang Ping by the Chief Justice, Sir Atholl MacGregor, at the Criminal Sessions this morning when he pleaded guilty to possession of 24,000 heroin pills.

Mr. J. Whyatt, Crown Counsel, said that accused would give no help in finding where the pills came from.

DUTCH PROTEST TO GERMANY

The Hague, To-day. The Netherlands has protested to Germany against the firing on Netherlands patrol planes by German anti-aircraft batteries. — Reuter.

Three cases of typhoid, fifteen of tuberculosis and eleven of dysentery were reported to Medical Department yesterday.

THREAT TO POLICE

Kwok Hing was sentenced to three years' hard labour this morning by the Chief Justice, for armed highway robbery by two or more.

He, with others, robbed Tong Wah, a bus conductor in Kowloon, of a pass book.

Accused said he had no food. He admitted a previous conviction.

His Lordship remarked that the robbery in itself was small, but the offence had been aggravated by accused impersonating a police office and threatening the police, when pursued, with a chopper.

FAKE SHROFF

Chan Wing, 19, was charged before Mr. R. Edwards this morning, with obtaining a sum of \$200 by false pretences.

It was said that defendant went to a shop in Bonham Strand on July 27, and described himself as sent to collect the money.

Defendant was seen in Wing Lok Street yesterday, and apprehended.

Sentence of four months' hard labour was passed, and was recommended for banishment.

FALSE REPORT TO THE POLICE

Charged with giving false information to the Police, Tam Chi-shek, 18, was fined \$100 or two months' hard labour by Mr. R. Edwards this morning.

Det.-Sergt. Brooks said defendant reported that his luggage had been stolen from a boarding house. Enquiries showed that defendant had checked his baggage out of the hotel.

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Two additional companies, a Chinese company (No. 7) and a Portuguese Company (No. 6) have been added to the authorised strength of the H.K.V.D.C.

It is also decreed in a new regulation published in a "Government Gazette Extraordinary" to-day that during the period of any War between His Majesty the King and any foreign Country the number of drills and instruction parades and the number of days and nights for attendance in camp may be increased at the discretion of the General Officer Commanding the Troops, with the approval of the Governor after consultation with the Commandant, and such increases shall be notified as required in Corps Orders.

Chungking, To-day.

The Chinese Government has promulgated very strict regulations aiming at the prevention of the entry of Japanese goods into free Chinese from the occupied areas.

The regulations were originally drafted by the Ministry of Economic Affairs and adopted with certain revisions by the Executive Yuan, but the details have not yet been published.—Reuter.

Paris, To-day.

Dr. Raczkiewicz, who has been ill with pleurisy, has nominated General Sosnkowski, a close collaborator of the late Marshal Pilsudski, to succeed him in the event of the presidency of Poland falling vacant during the war.—Reuter.

Chinese guerillas are reported to be concentrating north of Shumchun. The Japanese to-day strengthened their garrison, some 700 troops arriving at Shumchun from Nantau this morning.

Macao, To-day.

Gradually Shek-ki is becoming normal. Civilians and businessmen are returning.

The police and military have rounded up some 40 alleged traitors and looters. They were executed outside the city yesterday with a large crowd looking on.

Japanese warships are reported to be cruising in the Wanmoon Channel and off the north-west coast, but so far shelling has not yet been resumed. — Our Own Correspondent.

New Delhi, To-day.

The Congress Party's first reaction to the Viceroy's statement is that it is disappointing.

The "Hindustani Times," in welcoming the reaffirmation of India's political goal, says that the statement falls short of expectations regarding the manner in which the pledge of Dominion Status will be implemented and the extent of immediate action. — Reuter.

Chungking, To-day.

Over \$2,000,000 is said to have been raised already in the campaign under the leadership of Madame Chiang Kai-shek for winter clothing for soldiers now fighting at the front.

One million dollars was raised by the Chinese in San Francisco. — Reuter.

Macao, To-day.

Brief messages received here this afternoon state that troops under General Tang Lung-kwong broke through the Japanese defence lines and entered Kongmoon this morning.

Street-fighting is in progress between the two forces.—Our Own Correspondent.

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